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I DON'T KNOW WHY BUT I HAVE MY OWN PAIR OF SKATING SHOES. I TOOK A FEW LESSONS WHEN I WAS LITTLE BUT NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I HAVE NO IDEA WHY MY PARENTS BOUGHT ME SOMETHING AS EXPENSIVE AS SKATING SHOES. I GUESS THIS WAS MY DESTINY ? LOL. I THOUGHT OF IT WHEN I SAW MY NAME WRITTEN ON IT WITH A PERMANENT MARKER.

-OGAWA YAYOI

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Character Introduction

KUROKI MICHIRU

AN 18 YEAR OLD ICE DANCER. SHE WAS THE QUEEN OF SINGLES IN THE JUNIOR'S SECTION, BUT SHE TRANSFERRED BECAUSE OF AN INJURY. SHE SPENT HER CHILDHOOD IN AMERICA AND LEARNED ICE DANCING WITH LEON AT THE RINK WHERE HER MOTHER COACHED. HER MOTHER AND HER DECEASED FATHER USED TO BE THE LEGENDARY ICE DANCE COUPLE AND THEY WERE MICHIRU'S INSPIRATION. ONE DAY, MICHIRU GOT INVOLVED IN A DISAPPEARANCE INCIDENT. EVER SINCE THEN, SHE'S BEEN DISTANT FROM EVERYONE AND ALOOF.

HARUNA LEON

MICHIRU'S CHILDHOOD FRIEND FROM AMERICA. HE'S CURRENTLY A MODERN BALLET DANCER. HIS FATHER IS JAPANESE AND HIS MOTHER IS FRENCH. HE'S HAD A CRUSH ON MICHIRU EVER SINCE HE WAS A CHILD. HE WAS SEPARATED FROM MICHIRU WHEN HER FAMILY MOVED BACK TO JAPAN. BUT 7 YEARS LATER, THEY REUNITE. FEELING GUILTY FOR THE DISAPPEARANCE INCIDENT, HE WORRIES FOR MICHIRU WHO LOST HER BRIGHTNESS. BUT AT THE SAME TIME, HE FINDS HIMSELF, STILL, ATTRACTED TO HER.

YOMOTA HIKARU

BROTHER OF YOMOTA KAKERU, WHO WAS MICHIRU AND LEON'S COACH IN AMERICA. HE'S CURRENTLY MICHIRU'S PARTNER IN ICE DANCING. DURING THE JUNIOR PERIOD, HE WAS ALSO A SINGLE SKATER BUT THEN TRANSFERRED TO ICE DANCING. AFTER THE TRANSFER, HE COULDN'T LEAVE A TOP CLASS GRADE, THE HIGHEST BEING THE SECOND PLACE IN AN ALL-JAPAN COMPETITION. HE HAS AN IMMATURE PERSONALITY AND CHANGES HIS PARTNERS OFTEN. MICHIRU IS HIS FOURTH PARTNER.

YOMOTA KAKERU

MIYUKI'S JUNIOR ICE DANCER. HE WAS MICHIRU'S COACH AND FIRST LOVE. AT THE SAME TIME OF MICHIRU'S DISAPPEARANCE, HE DIED OF A MYSTERIOUS CAUSE.

KUROKI MIYUKI

MICHIRU'S MOTHER. SHE AND HER DECEASED HUSBAND USED TO BE A LEGENDARY ICE DANCER COUPLE. SHE IS NOW REMARRIED TO THE PRESIDENT OF KUROKI COMPANY.

PRESIDENT KUROKI

PRESIDENT OF KUROKI SPORTS COMPANY AND MICHIRU'S STEPFATHER. HE HAS RINKS AND FINANCES FOR SKATERS.

MARY DANDOWA

MIYUKI'S SENIOR SKATER AND COACH FOR MICHIRU AND HIKARU. HER TRADE-MARK IS THE FUR COAT. SHE IS CANADIAN.

AYUHARA LENA

MICHIRU AND LEON'S CHILD-HOOD FRIEND WHO USED TO GO TO THE SAME RINK. SHE IS CURRENTLY A SINGLE SKATER.

SERGEY

A MYSTERIOUS MAN WHO FOLLOWS MICHIRU AROUND. LEON WITNESSED HIM ARGUING WITH COACH YOMOTA BEFORE HIS DEATH.

PREVIOUS CHAPTERS

MICHIRU, CARRYING HER DARK PAST, STILL FACES SKATING. LEON STILL SUPPRESSES HIS FEELINGS TOWARDS MICHIRU. AS MICHIRU'S PARTNER, HIKARU IS BEGINNING TO SHORTEN HIS DISTANCE WITH HER. USING THESE 3 KEY WORDS, WE'RE GOING TO SUM UP WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE PREVIOUS CHAPTERS...

KEY WORD 1 → CHILDHOOD FRIEND

MICHIRU AND LEON ARE TWO CHILDHOOD FRIENDS WHO SPENT THEIR EARLY LIFE IN AMERICA. THROUGH ICE SKATING, THE TWO DEVELOP DEEP TRUST FOR EACH OTHER AT THE SKATING RINK WHERE MICHIRU'S MOTHER COACHED. AND, AT THE SAME PLACE, OTHER PEOPLE SUCH AS LEON'S SISTER - MANON, AYUHARA LENA, AND YABUKI YUUYA ALSO BECAME THEIR FRIENDS AS STRONG FRIENDSHIPS DEVELOPED.

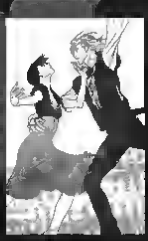
LOVE TOWARDS COACH YOMOTA, ICE SKATING THAT SHE ENJOYED DEEPLY FROM HER HEART, FRIENDSHIP... EVERYTHING SEEMS TO HAVE FILLED MICHIRU IN HER CHILDHOOD, AND LEON WHO SPENT THAT TIME WITH HER IS SOMEONE IRREPLACEABLE TO HER.

KEY WORD 2 → ICE DANCE

AFTER RETURNING TO JAPAN, MICHIRU BECOMES THE JUNIOR QUEEN IN THE SINGLES DIVISION.

HOWEVER, AS SHE STARTS TO LOSE PASSION FOR SKATING, MICHIRU BEGINS TO PUT HERSELF THROUGH MORE TRAINING AS IF TO HURT HERSELF. AS A RESULT, SHE HAS TO TRANSFER TO ICE DANCING, PARTNERING WITH YOMOTA HIKARU.

UNDER THE INSTRUCTION OF COACH DANDOWA, THE TWO BEGIN TO AIM FOR THE ALL-JAPAN COMPETITION. ALTHOUGH HIKARU IS IRRITATED BY MICHIRU'S ALOOF PERSONALITY AT FIRST, HE TOO BEGINS TO BE ATTRACTED TO HER.



KEY WORD 3 → LOST MEMORY

THE KEY EVENT THAT ENDS MICHIRU'S HAPPINESS DURING HER CHILDHOOD IS HER DISAPPEARANCE. ALTHOUGH SHE WAS FOUND QUICKLY, SHE LOST ANY MEMORY OF WHAT HAPPENED DURING THAT PERIOD. HER MIND ALSO SHUT DOWN AS SHE GROWS OLDER, THE FLASHBACKS AND PIECES OF THE LOST MEMORY BEGIN TO TAUNT HER.

DID SHE GET KIDNAPPED? DID COACH YOMOTA GET MURDERED? WHY IS SHE AFRAID OF HER STEPFATHER? WHO IS SERGEY?

ON THE OTHER HAND, FEELING GUILTY FOR WHAT HAPPENED, LEON FACES HIS OWN CONSCIENCE...

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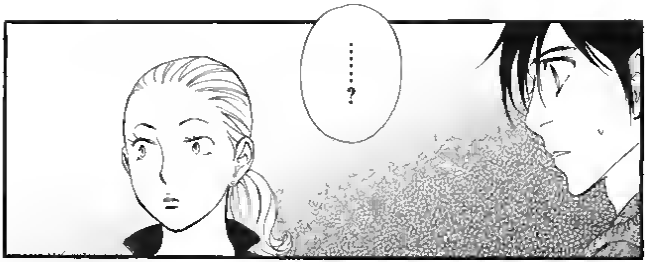
TO LENA WINNING 4TH PLACE IN AMERICAN SKATING!
TO MICHIRU'S 18TH BIRTHDAY AND FOR WINNING THE EASTERN JAPAN COMPETITION!
LENA CAME TO JAPAN FOR THE NHK COMPETITION
TO LEON'S PRO-DANCER DEBUT!
She got a little skinnier
I HAVEN'T HAD MANY JAPANESE FRIENDS RECENTLY, AND MY DAD DIED IN AUGUST SO I HAVEN'T SPOKEN ANY JAPANESE SINCE
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE COME TO JAPAN! HEY, IS MY JAPANESE WEIRD?
W-WIMP...
BUT I'M GLAD I WAS ABLE TO ENTER FOR THE NHK COMPETITION
I'm not even an Olympic member!
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER I WILL DO WELL OR NOT
UH, UM... BUT IN MY CASE, I'M JUST ONE OF THE PEOPLE IN A GROUP
YOU'RE STILL WIMPY AS USUAL, LEON-
DON'T SAY SOME-THING LIKE THAT!

IF YOU HAD LET US KNOW, WE COULD'VE TRIED TO HELP...
DON'T WORRY, DON'T WORRY. MY MOM'S A STRONG PERSON SO...
...YOUR DAD'S ...?
PLEASE DON'T MAKE A FACE LIKE THAT.
I'M SORRY FOR THE LATE NOTICE, BUT IT'S BEEN HECTIC RECENTLY.
LENA
OK, NO MORE SAD STORIES!
BESIDES
I GOT CHEERED UP BY JUST MEETING YOU GUYS RIGHT NOW.

IN ORDER TO DO THAT...
THAT'S WHY I'M AIMING FOR A POSITION ON THE PODIUM IN THIS COMPETITION
SO, BECAUSE OF THAT, I'M HAVING SOME FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES.
I HAVE TO IMPROVE MY GRADE AND FIND A BETTER SPONSOR
EVEN IF YOU BECOME A PRO, YOU NEED A GOOD GRADE IN ORDER TO BE HIRED BY A BIG ICE SHOW
TRIPLE AXEL?
EXACTLY
COACH TOLD ME NOT TO DO IT, BUT I'M GOING TO JUMP IT...
OH, YEAH, I FORGOT TO MENTION THAT KUROKI SPORTS COMPANY INCREASED ITS FUNDING TOO
SO, THE HOME RINK BECAME KUROKI AGAIN?
YUP.
AH... UM,
IT'S QUITE DIFFERENT FROM BEFORE SINCE WE JUST HAD A RENOVATION,
BUT THE ROOM WHERE WE HAD MICHIRU'S 9TH BIRTHDAY PARTY IS STILL THE SAME
THE TIME WHEN YOU FIRST TALKED TO LEON AND...

YOMOTA-SENSEI CAME LATE AND GAVE ME A RABBIT DOLL.
I NAMED IT ROBBY AND...
DO YOU STILL REMEMBER THAT...?
YEAH.
I REMEMBER THAT DAY CLEARLY.
MINON SANG ME A SONG AND...
I WONDER IF SOMEONE TOOK IT...?
MUNE MUNE MUNE
Michiru didn't let go though.
But there were many scary people.
AH- THE ONE THAT YOU BROUGHT TO THE RINK OCCASIONALLY?
DON'T TELL ME YOU STILL HAVE IT.
...I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO IT...
ROBBY... I'VE ALWAYS TREASURED HIM... AND SLEPT WITH HIM.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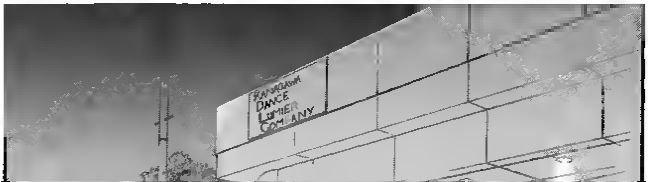
LENA, LET'S CHANGE THE SUBJECT.
OK!

WHAT WERE YOU SAYING JUST NOW?
EH?
DID I SAY SOMETHING?

ALTHOUGH SHE WAS LAUGHING AND HAVING FUN LIKE A NORMAL PERSON,
THERE WAS OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING WRONG WITH MICHIRU'S BEHAVIOR.
SHE WAS TRIGGERED BY SOMETHING AND BECAME UNSTABLE.


FANTASIA DANCE LUNCH COMPANY

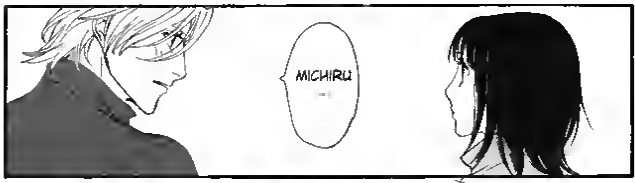
LEON, YOUR CELL'S RINGING
AH, THANK YOU.
HELLO ?
LENA?
Were you still practicing?
NO, I JUST FINISHED.
I COULDN'T SAY IT IN FRONT OF MICHIRU EARLIER,
BUT I HEARD SOME RUMOR...
Leon, weren't you talking about "green car" before?
SFX: Thump!
RECENTLY, I WAS TALKING TO SOME PEOPLE FROM THAT AREA THAT RUMOR SEEMS TO BE BASED ON A REAL STORY.
I don't know, but
THEY SAID THAT A POOR FAMILY'S DAUGHTER GETS ON A GREEN CAR AND IS BEING TAKEN SOMEWHERE

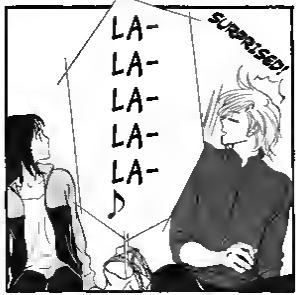
AND... DO YOU REMEMBER A GIRL NAMED SARA IN OUR CLUB?
Sara...?
SHE USED TO BE PRETTY GOOD AND ALWAYS PLACED HIGH IN THE REGIONALS. BUT SHE JUST SUDDENLY STOPPED COMING ONE DAY.
Ah, you mean the brunette girl...?
YEAH, YEAH.
HER PARENTS WERE PRESIDENT OF SOME COMPANY, BUT THEY WENT BROKE BECAUSE THEY SPENT TOO MUCH MONEY ON THEIR DAUGHTER'S COACHING AND COSTUME FEE.
THEY THOUGHT THAT THAT WAS THE REASON SHE QUIT, BUT...
SOME SAID THAT SARA RODE ON THE GREEN CAR.
EH...

...
MORE-OVER,
Cough
.....
We don't really know the truth since she moved away,
But if it has something to do with Michiru, I'd like to meet her.
He's gone away again.
What are you doing? Why did you come to Japan then?!
T- TO WORK?
W- WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT THIS ALL OF A SUDDEN?!
EH !?
You still haven't confessed to Michiru?
Don't say I didn't warn you if Hikaru-san gets to her first.
U...
YOU PROBABLY KNOW THIS ALREADY, BUT THERE ARE MANY ICE DANCE COUPLES WHO ARE LOVERS IN REAL LIFE TOO.

*GOE: Grade of Execution. An ice dance evaluation based on point systems on elements such as step, spin, and lift.

I'LL PRACTICE WHEN SENSEI ISN'T HERE.
HIKARU-SAN, YOU PICKED ME...
BECAUSE YOU WANTED TO GO BEYOND, RIGHT?
BECAUSE OF WHAT YOU SAID
... WHY,
DID YOU PAIR UP WITH ME?
YOU SAID,
THAT YOU NEEDED ME.





Parasemia → Like Nekketsu manga?

YOU WANT TO GO TO AN AMUSEMENT PARK WITH LEON?
EH...
Um. Like on a date...?
Do you want to go somewhere with just the two of us?
Blushes
YEAH. JUST FOR A LITTLE BIT BEFORE GOING TO LENA'S COMPETITION.
SURE, OF COURSE. YOU HAVE TO TAKE A BREAK SOMETIMES.
MOM WILL LEND YOU PUMPS.
YOU HAVE A NECKLACE THAT YOU GOT FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY, RIGHT?
W-WHY DON'T YOU WEAR A SPRING ONE-PIECE DRESS?
FIDGETS
RESTLESS
FIDGETS
WHAT SHOULD I WEAR..?

THAT BEHAVIOR IT'S PROBABLY A DATE
I THINK
I'VE NEVER IMAGINED MICHIRU DATING

OK...
THEN I'LL WEAR THEM

WORRIES
SHOULD I AT LEAST TELL HER HOW TO AVOID PREGNANCY ...?
WORRIES
I'M WORRIED... SHE'S SO NAIVE SINCE SHE'S BEEN SKATING ALL THIS TIME.

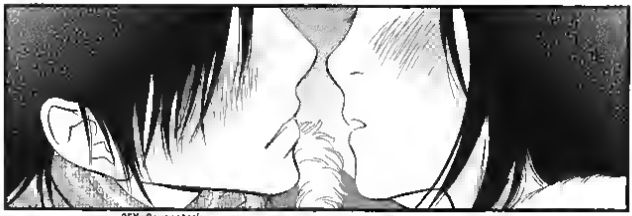
DESTINY LAND
Kyaaaaah!
SFX. Roar

Leah, your nose is running!
Moreover, you're crying!
Liar! You were so scared up there!
NO, IT'S JUST...
THE WIND WAS COLD...
AHAHAHA!
LOOK, THERE ARE SO MANY COINS!
THERE ARE THREE 5 DOLLAR COINS!
MAYBE THEY WISHED FOR SOMETHING.
MAYBE.
IT'S NOT EVEN A SHRINE THOUGH

MAYBE I SHOULD WISH FOR SOME-THING.
LIKE LENA JUMPING A TRIPLE AXEL TODAY.
WHAT ABOUT YOUR ALL-JAPAN COMPETI-TION?
THAT'S YET TO COME-!
WHAT?
I ENJOY MYSELF MOST WHEN I'M WITH YOU, LEON.
NOTHING.
I'M JUST GLAD THAT YOU'RE ENJOYING YOURSELF.
YEAH, I'M HAVING A LOT OF FUN.

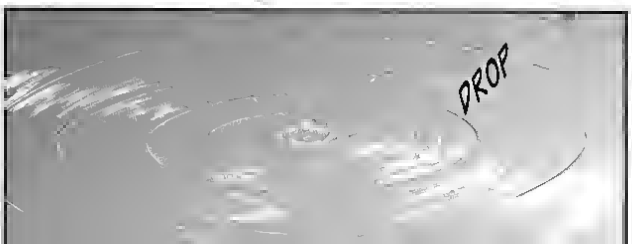
I LIKE YOU.
MICHIRU,
NOT AS A CHILD-HOOD FRIEND, BUT...
UM— THAT IS..
I-IF YOU COULD GO OUT WITH ME,
I'D BE REALLY HAPPY..
EH !?
REALLY . . ?
BUT WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?
— OKAY

EH...
UM, I GUESS.
IF I'M YOUR GIRLFRIEND INSTEAD OF A CHILDHOOD FRIEND,
THEN I CAN'T BE THE SAME AS BEFORE, RIGHT?
BUT, YOU DON'T NEED TO CHANGE JUST LIKE THAT...
IT'S BETTER IF YOU STAY THE SAME..
EH?!
BUT... YEAH...
SOMETHING LIKE THIS...



SFX Separates!
DON'T SCREAM!
SCREAM
BUY ME CHURROS! I WANT IT-!

OK...
THUMP
KIND OF LIKE THAT
UM...
THUMP
THUMP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I HOPE LENA WILL BE ABLE TO DO HER TRIPLE AXEL
AND...
I HOPE MICHIRU AND LEON CAN STAY TOGETHER FOREVER.
NHK Competition Ice Dance FD (Free Dance)

They are in the fourth place renewing their personal best
With overall of 152.74
Sada-Nakamura Pair Free dance score is 78.35
THOSE ARE MICHIRU AND HIKARU-SAN'S RIVALS...?
.....
WHAT GAUDY ATTIRE.
BESIDES, THE GUY'S LEGS ARE TOO SHORT.
WHEN I TOLD HIKARU-SAN THAT SHE HAD SEAWEED ON HER FRONT TOOTH, HE GOT MAD AT ME AND SAID THAT I SHOULD'VE SAID IT RIGHT THEN
I THINK HE WAS RIGHT.
SHE SAID SOMETHING MEAN TO ME BEFORE...
I DON'T GET ALONG WITH THAT PERSON

Women's sngle free
YEAH... IT'S PROBABLY SAFE NOT TO JUMP CONSIDERING LENA'S SUCCESS RATE AT THIS MOMENT
THEN, MAYBE SHE SHOULDN'T DO A TRIPLE AXEL...?
THE NEW EVALUATION SYSTEM MAKES ANY DEDUCTION SCARY SO NO ONE EVEN TRIES TO DO ANYTHING DIFFICULT...
AS EXPECTED, THE SKATERS FROM THIS CLASS HARDLY MAKE ANY MISTAKES
BUT IF SHE SUCCEEDS, SHE CAN DEFINITELY GET UP ON THE PODIUM.
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
Number 6 – Lena Ayuhara from America.

*Senshu: something equivalent to "san" that is used to call an athlete.
**An Ina Bauer is a move in the field element in figure skating in which a skater skates on two parallel blades
She is one of the skaters who have been in the spotlight this season.
Song is Scheherazade
She said that she is competing today with her father's charm with her
Ayuhara senshu*'s deceased father is from Tokyo
I'LL DEFINITELY LAND CLEAN!
Chu
DAD!
SFX: Jump!
She plans to land on her expertise, the double axel.
A triple loop from **Ina Bauer

A triple axel!
No. This is.
SHE DID IT!!
Ayuhara-senshu has just succeeded in the triple axel!
SFX Wah!

SHE MISSED THE FINAL JUST BARELY. BUT IN MY OPINION, SHE DID GREAT.
LENA CLIMBED UP FROM 6TH PLACE IN THE SHORT PROGRAM TO BAG A SILVER MEDAL

EXIT

SFX. Crowded

Can you speak English?
Eh... Yes.

MAYBE SHE'LL ENTER THE OLYMPICS IN THE NEAR FUTURE ?
LENA'S INCRED-IBLE
Excuse me.

THUMP

Um, are you her fan?
Something like that.
I'll leave it to you then.
Can you give this to the lady who was with you?
Do you mean... Michiru?
Yes, Michiru Kuroki.
Lost property
"Lost property"...?
FOR MICHIRU...? I WONDER WHAT IT IS?
OPENS
MAYBE A BIRTHDAY PRESENT?
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING
AH, MICHIRU
A FAN JUST CAME BY AND TOLD ME TO GIVE YOU THIS

SFX: Thud
MICHIRU ...?
AH ...
AH ...!

Help me!
Yomota-sensei
Mom
Help, Robby!
I'm scared.
MICHIRU!
COLLAPSE
THEN I'LL GRANT IT WHATEVER IT MAY BE
MICHIRU !!
IF IT'S SOME-THING YOU WANT,

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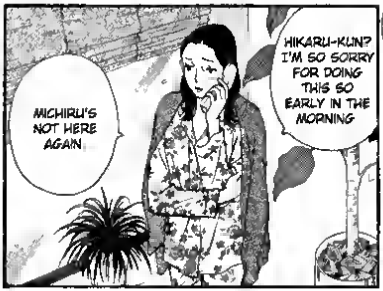
【第1章】 Step8. Noli Me Tangere (Touch Me Not)

I WANTED TO BECOME AN ADULT FOR YOU.
SO THAT THE LONG ARMS THAT I HAVE NOW...
COULD HOLD ON TO YOU TIGHTLY
...ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY?
...YEAH
I JUST FELT A LITTLE DIZZY...
YOU STILL DON'T LOOK WELL. YOU SHOULD PROBABLY GET SOME REST.
YEAH...I'M SORRY...
.....
AH, THIS...
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO WITH THIS...?

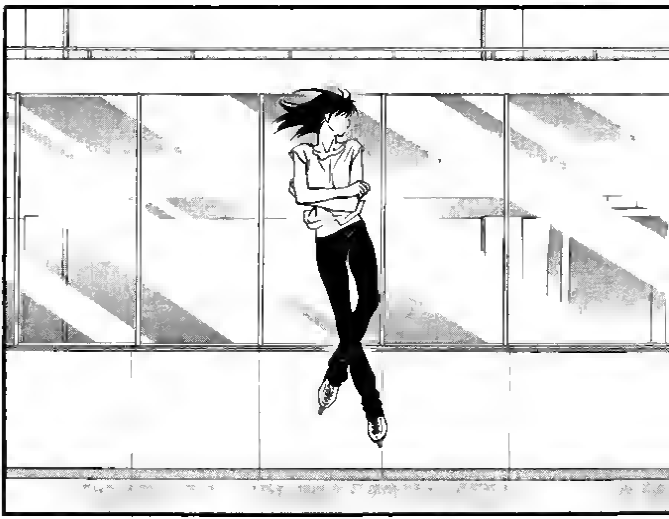
...I'M SORRY.
CAN YOU THROW IT AWAY FOR ME?
I'M STILL USELESS AT EIGHTEEN.
I WAS ELEVEN WHEN I WANTED TO BECOME AN ADULT FOR HER.
SOUNDED AS IF SHE HAD SAID IT TO ANOTHER PERSON
"I'M SORRY" ...

Grin
I'M HOME!
WELCOME BACK. HOW WAS IT?
LENA DID REALLY GREAT ON HER TRIPLE AXLE AND
RIIING
Sleep talking
WHY WOULD YOU SAY SUCH A HORRIBLE THING LIKE THAT...
Hmmm
...MASUMI... YOU...
RIIIING
RIIIING
RIING



She made him cry.

ISN'T THIS... MICHIRU'S LAST YEAR'S
"CARMINA BURANA"?
THIS MUSIC IS...

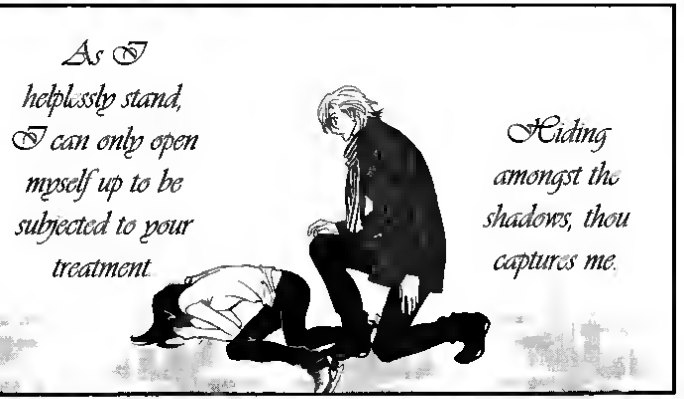


Goddess Fortuna.
Oh,

Waning into a crescent, filling into a wane.
Thou changest like the moon,
SFX: Slide
You play with people's heart
With no such heart of this world, grasping joy and pain to your convenience,
JUMP
IF YOU JUMP THAT ONE...
IDIOT, STOP IT!

SFX. Falls
SFX. Ache
HEY!
DON'T TOUCH ME!!!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING?!
Hm
Hm
Hm

DON'T TOUCH ME...!
DON'T TOUCH ME...


As I helplessly stand, I can only open myself up to be subjected to your treatment.
Hiding amongst the shadows, thou captures me.

"PLEASE HAND THIS TO THE LADY WHO WAS WITH YOU."
THAT GUY...

I DEFINITELY MET HIM... SOMEWHERE.
HE HAD A RUSSIAN ACCENT...

THAT'S HIM!!!
SERGEY?
WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE?
HE WAS BLOND AND TALL.
IS HE YOUNG?
NO, I THINK HE WAS IN HIS 30S.
I THINK SO... HE DID HAVE SUNGLASSES SO I COULDN'T TAKE A GOOD LOOK.
BUT HE WAS ARGUING ABOUT SOMETHING WITH COACH YOMOTA SEVEN YEARS AGO.
THAT GUY AT THE LOBBY GAVE IT TO MICHIRU?
THAT GUY COULD'VE BEEN SERGEY GUEORGUIEV.
...I THINK YOU SHOULD KEEP THAT TO YOURSELF FIRST

HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT?
HIS HOME RINK WAS KUROKI.
IF YOU SEARCH HIM ONLINE, YOU'LL SEE THAT HE'S WON THE SILVER METAL IN THE OLYMPICS BEFORE
HE WAS AN ICE SKATER.
WHO?
EH?
SO HE WASN'T THERE WHEN I ENTERED?
YEAH. HIS PARTNER, AND SISTER, TANYA GOT SICK AND...
HMM... I DON'T REMEMBER THE SPECIFICS. IT'LL BE GOOD IF WE CAN GET IN CONTACT WITH YULIYA...
HE CAME TO PRACTICE OCCASIONALLY WHEN HE WAS IN AMERICA FOR HIS PRO-ACTIVITY.
I WAS ONLY SIX AND DON'T REMEMBER MUCH, BUT YULIYA MIGHT REMEMBER SOMETHING.

OH, YEAH, YOU'RE ABOUT TO SKATE I'M SORRY FOR BRINGING SOMETHING LIKE THIS UP...
DON'T WORRY, DON'T WORRY, IT'S ONLY AN EXHIBITION
I DON'T THINK HE COULD FORGET FIGURE SKATING OR US THAT EASILY...
BUT I FELT LIKE HE WAS WATCHING OVER TODAY'S COMPETITION
I GUESS HE'S NOT REPLYING TO YOU EITHER...
.....
ABOUT "THAT DAY".
SHE PROBABLY REMEMBERED SOMETHING...
I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT MICHIRU.
I SUGGEST THAT YOU REST FOR TODAY
YOU WERE ABOUT TO GET AN INFLAMMATION, BUT IF YOU STAY PUT, IT SHOULD BE FINE

I'M SORRY.
I DIDN'T MEAN...
TO SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT EARLIER...
I'LL TELL MARIE.
GO GET CHANGED. I'LL TAKE YOU TO YOUR SCHOOL
.....
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING WHEN MY PARTNER TELLS ME NOT TO TOUCH HER.
I was kinda hurt too
I HOPE SO
BY THE WAY, I ALWAYS THANK GOD WHENEVER I LOOK INTO THE MIRROR
Fu!
...I'M NOT BEAUTIFUL
Covers
AFTERALL, NOT EVERYONE IS BORN BEAUTIFUL LIKE YOU.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, BUT YOU SHOULD TREASURE YOURSELF MORE.

EH?
HIKARU-SAN
HMM?
DO YOU HAVE A GIRLFRIEND?
THAT'S RIGHT. I ALWAYS GET DUMPED.
I ONLY ASKED WHETHER YOU HAD ONE OR NOT...
HAVE YOU EVER FELT THAT YOU WERE NOT WORTHY ENOUGH FOR THE PERSON YOU LIKED...?
THEN...

IT'S UP TO THE OTHER PERSON TO SEE WHETHER YOU ARE OR NOT
BESIDES, IF YOU LIKE SOMEONE, IT'S USELESS THINKING ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THAT
NOT EVEN FOR ONE SECOND
I don't understand what you're asking.
I SEE ...
That's why you get dumped
.....
THEN I WOULDN'T HAVE GIVEN HER THAT THING JUST AS HE HAD TOLD ME TO..
IF I HAD REALIZED THAT IT WAS THAT MAN,
MOREOVER, I WANT TO HEAR HER VOICE .
I'M WORRIED ABOUT MICHIRU.
LET GO OF ME!

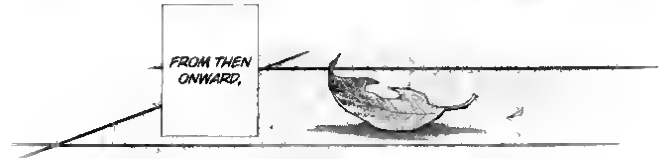
HOW MUCH I REGRET LETTING GO OF HER HAND THAT DAY.

RIIINNNG
WAH!
WHAT?!

MICHIRU . I DON'T DESERVE BEING NEXT TO YOU
I LOVE HIS ODD FASHION.
ISN'T THAT COOL!
Takeshi san's a maniac.

YOUR FOOT? ARE YOU OKAY?
EH, YOU DON'T HAVE THE NIGHT PRACTICE TODAY?
YEAH, I'LL BE RIGHT THERE
YOU'RE REAL SLAVE MATERIAL.

MICHIRU?
H-HELLO?


FROM THEN ONWARD,

I WAS NERVOUS ABOUT HER FORGETTING MY CONFESSION, BUT...
HE'S YOUR BOYFRIEND, RIGHT?
MICHIRU, INTRODUCE HIM.
SHE SEEMED TO HAVE FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE LOBBY INCIDENT OR THAT MAN.
MICHIRU ACTED AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED.
YOMOCCHI, HOW SAD YOU'RE LEFT OUT...
THEY'RE SO IN LOVE.
DON'T SAY IT SO, I CAN HEAR IT.
SIGH
...THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN.
HE'S LEON.
SO CUTE!
YEAH, UM...
EH? OF COURSE NOT.
MOREOVER, WHO ARE YOU?

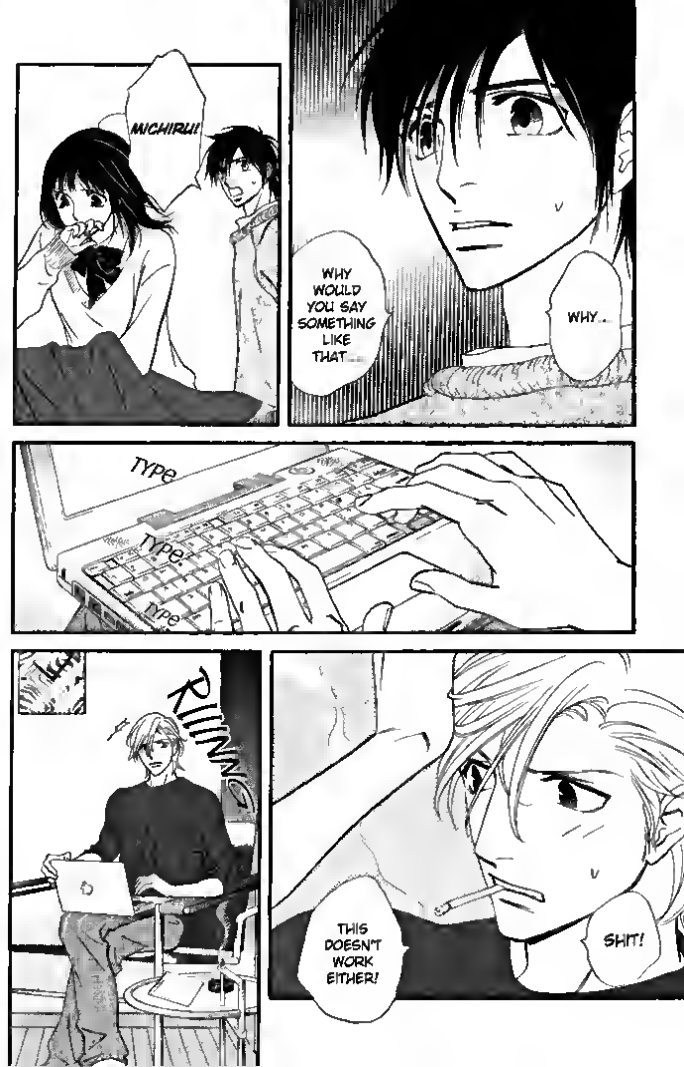
AH...!
HEY, ...
I'M ONLY ONE-HANDED.
IF YOU'RE HOLDING ONTO ME THAT LOOSELY, YOU'RE BOUND TO FALL.
THE SPIN LIFT IS HOW MUCH YOU CAN SPIN DURING THE TIME GIVEN.
THEREFORE, THEY SEE HOW FAST YOU CAN SPIN.
IF WE SPIN FAST, THEN THERE'D BE MORE CENTRIFUGAL FORCE.
IF YOU GET KNOCKED ONTO THE ICE, THEN IT'LL BE A HUGE INJURY.
I KNOW YOU DON'T LIKE ME, BUT...
I DIDN'T SAY THAT I DON'T LIKE YOU...
OKAY, I SEE. THANKS FOR LETTING ME KNOW!

THIS WAS THE LAST THING I WANTED TO SAY, BUT...
SHIT...
I'M SORRY FOR YELLING SO LOUDLY.
LET'S GET SOME REST. MARIE'LL BE HERE SHORTLY.
ANYWAYS...
THINK OF ME AS LEON...
AND HOLD ON TIGHT!
...I SEE. YOU'RE SECRETLY PRACTICING?
YEAH.
BUT, RECENTLY, HIKARU-SAN'S BEEN MAD AT ME A LOT...

IS IT OKAY IF I LET HER COME IN AT THIS TIME OF THE NIGHT ?
IT'S KIND OF DIFFERENT FROM THE PREVIOUS TIME.
CAN I TAKE MY COAT OFF?
AH, YEAH, I JUST TURNED ON THE HEATER.
AH.
EH?!
WHEN I THINK OF HER AS MY "GIRL-FRIEND,"
I GET EXTRA NERVOUS ...
I FOUND IT ON THE NET. I THOUGHT IT WAS TAKEN NICELY SO...
AH... THAT PICTURE?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN..?
EH... UM, HOW DO I PUT IT.
LIKE YOU LOOK REALLY GOOD WITH THE WHITE ICE..
...IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ME.
REALLY? I GUESS IT COULD BE THE MAKE-UP
BUT I THINK IT REALLY REFLECTS YOU
Blush
REALLY PURE...AND INNOCENT...
IF I SUM IT UP...
YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL.

...WHAT IF I REALLY WASN'T...?
EH...?
WHAT IF...
I WAS LIKE A DIRTY RAG...
THAT'S BEEN USED TO WIPE DIRTY THINGS AND BEEN THROWN INTO THE TRASH CAN...?
WOULD YOU HATE MICHIRU THEN...?


MICHIRU!
WHY...
WHY WOULD YOU SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
TYPE
TYPE
TYPE
RIIING
THIS DOESN'T WORK EITHER!
SHIT!

And what's with that DVD?! Are you involved in something dangerous?!
Find the password yourself
Are you kidd..
It's the name of the person who was deeply involved in Kakeru's death
HELLO ...?
It's me
Sergey!
What the heck is with that computer?! I can't open it because of the password requirement!
My brother's...?
Something ...? Didn't you mention that you were being chased?
Does that have anything to do with my brother?
Listen carefully Hikaru
That disk and computer has your brother's diary and will come in handy if something happens to me
Hikaru, I understand that you're still suspicious about Kakeru's death and want to uncover the truth

It's "Club Bambina."
If you want to avenge Kakeru's death, don't forget those words
Club Bambina...?
Ah! Hey...
HOLD ON!
I WON'T HATE YOU.
I'LL LIKE YOU NO MATTER WHAT.
MICHIRU, WHO IS STANDING IN FRONT ME, TOO.

SO, PLEASE...
EVEN IF YOU SAY "LET GO," I WON'T LET GO OF YOU.
ONCE IT WAS OUT OF MY MOUTH,
NINE YEARS WORTH OF FEELINGS STARTED FLOWING OUT WITHOUT A STOP.
EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE,
I'VE ALWAYS REGRETTED THAT DAY WHEN I LET GO OF YOUR HAND...
EVEN WHEN WE WERE APART, I'VE LIKED YOU.
"TODAY'S BAMBINA'S VIGOROUS!"
SHE WON'T LET GO OF THE DOLL.
HER ARM'S TOO THIN, AND HANDCUFFS WON'T WORK.
IT'S BOTHERSOME. TAKE IT AWAY.
THEN TIE WITH A BELT.

BECAUSE I REALLY LIKE YOU.

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YOU'RE TELLING ME COVENANT OF DARKNESS STILL NEEDS..
NO WAY...
EDITORS
JAPANESE TRANSLATORS
... AND OTHER STAFF?!!
IT'S TRUE!!!
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DONT MAKE OUR OVERWORKED STAFF CRY ANYMORE!!!

Step9. Big Palm

KANAGAWA DANCE LUMIER COMPANY
LET'S START WITH "DANCE OF THE EARTH".
pachun
HERE WE GO.
K.D.L.C.
SFX: DAN DAN DAN
DAN DAN DAN
DAN.
LEON
PLEASE.
DAN

SFX: DAN
DON'T TOUCH ME.
LEON, CAN YOU STAY FOR JUST A MINUTE?
SURE
OK, THAT'S IT FOR TODAY
GOOD WORK EVERYBODY
FROM WHAT I CAN SEE, YOUR BODY IS IN PERFECTLY GOOD CONDITION SO WHY IS YOUR HEAD UP IN THE CLOUDS?
I'M SORRY...!
YOU KNOW WHY I ASKED YOU TO STAY, RIGHT?
.....

LEAVING A BAD TASTE IN YOUR MOUTH WITH A HALF-ASSED JOB IS A WASTE OF TIME AND EFFORT, AND YOU'LL LOSE PEOPLE'S TRUST.
MY POLICY IS THAT IF YOU CAN'T GIVE 100%, YOU SHOULDN'T DO ANYTHING.
I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'RE AT A STRESSFUL AGE, BUT THE AUDIENCE WON'T BE SO FORGIVING.
K.D.L.C
YES...
KNOCK
OH! TODAY IS A DAY I TAKE A BATH WITH MY DAUGHTER SO I BETTER GET GOING
WELL, YOU YOUNG KIDS HAVE A LOT TO JUGGLE, YOU KNOW "SHOUTING AT THE MOON WHEN THE FLOWERS ARE BLOOMING" SO-THEY-SAY.
HERE IS THE KEY, CAN YOU LOCK UP WHEN YOU'RE DONE?
WHAT?
UM—
When I'm done?

MICHIRU!
WHAT'S UP? COME INSIDE, IT'S COLD OUT.
NO THANKS... I'M FINE OUT HERE.
I'M HEADING TO NAGANO TOMORROW.
THERE'S A RINK NEAR THE COMPETITION SITE...
I'M STAYING WITH MAMA AND DANDOWA SENSEI'S OTHER STUDENTS.
PLOP
K.D.L
UNTIL THE COMPETITION?
YES.
I WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE YOU ON CHRISTMAS EITHER, SO..

IT'S A LITTLE EARLY, BUT HERE'S YOUR PRESENT.
MY FIRST PRESENT AS YOUR "GIRLFRIEND"
AND MY LAST.
MICHI...

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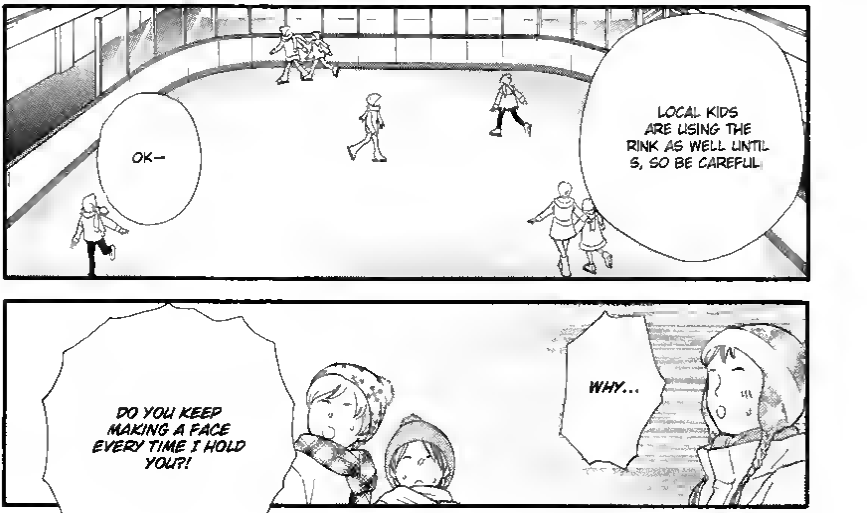
THANK YOU...
FOR LIKING ME
"DEAR LEON,"
"I'M NOT WHO YOU THINK I AM. I'M A BAD GIRL AND A LIAR."
"EVEN NOW, I HAVE A SECRET I CAN'T TELL ANYBODY. IT HAUNTS ME DAILY, BUT..."

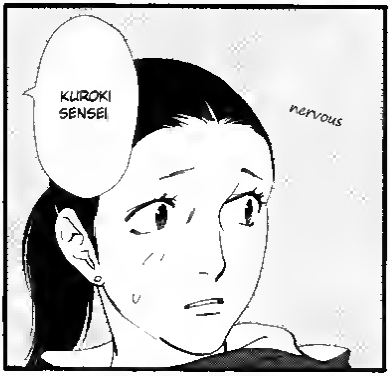
"TO MY FAVORITE CHILDHOOD FRIEND LEON."
"SO I CAN'T SEE YOU ANYMORE. I'M SORRY."
"I DON'T WANT YOU TO SEE THAT SIDE OF ME."
MICHIRU...!

*T/N: THIS IS A WORD PUN NEWAZA (BED SKILLS) AND MAWATA (SILK)

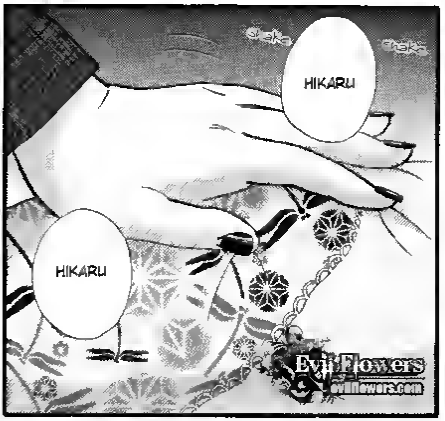


YOU'RE WASTING TIME!!
OK, OK, STOP FIGHTING!!
YEAH, YOU ARE!
I'M NOT MAKING A FACE!
DO YOU HATE IT THAT MUCH WHEN I TOUCH YOU?!

SENSEI
UH, YES, WHAT IS IT?
HOW WAS THAT?
OH YES, MAYBE PUT IN A LITTLE MORE SPEED...


KUROKI SENSEI
nervous

mumble
mumble
LEAVE ME ALONE, MASUMI
GIVE IT A REST ALREADY...
STOP TALKING IN YOUR SLEEP AND WAKE UP!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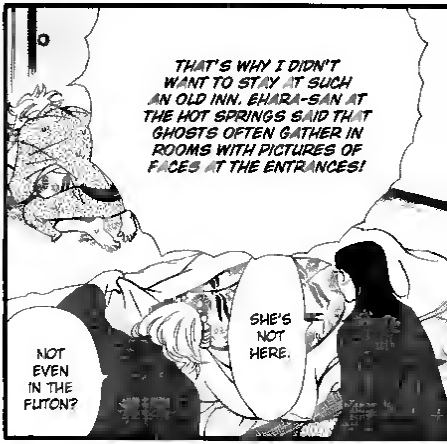
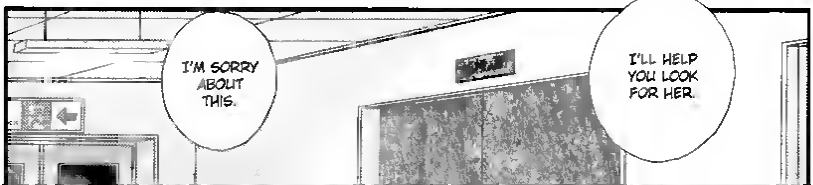
WAA—H!

MICHIRU IS NOWHERE TO BE FOUND.
WHAT'S GOING ON?
OH...IT'S YOU MARIE, NOT A GHOST.
I'M SORRY TO BOTHER YOU SO LATE AT NIGHT...SHE HAS A HABIT OF SLEEPWALKING.


THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T WANT TO STAY AT SUCH AN OLD INN. EHARA-SAN AT THE HOT SPRINGS SAID THAT GHOSTS OFTEN GATHER IN ROOMS WITH PICTURES OF FACES AT THE ENTRANCES!
SHE'S NOT HERE.
NOT EVEN IN THE FUTON?

DID YOU THINK I WOULD PULL HER IN OR SOMETHING?
WOULD YOU EXPECT TO FIND HER IN MY FUTON?
JUST IN CASE.

SLEEP-WALKING?
YEAH, SHE WALKS AROUND WITHOUT REALIZING IT.
I THOUGHT SHE'D OUT-GROWN IT, BUT...
I SEE... SO...

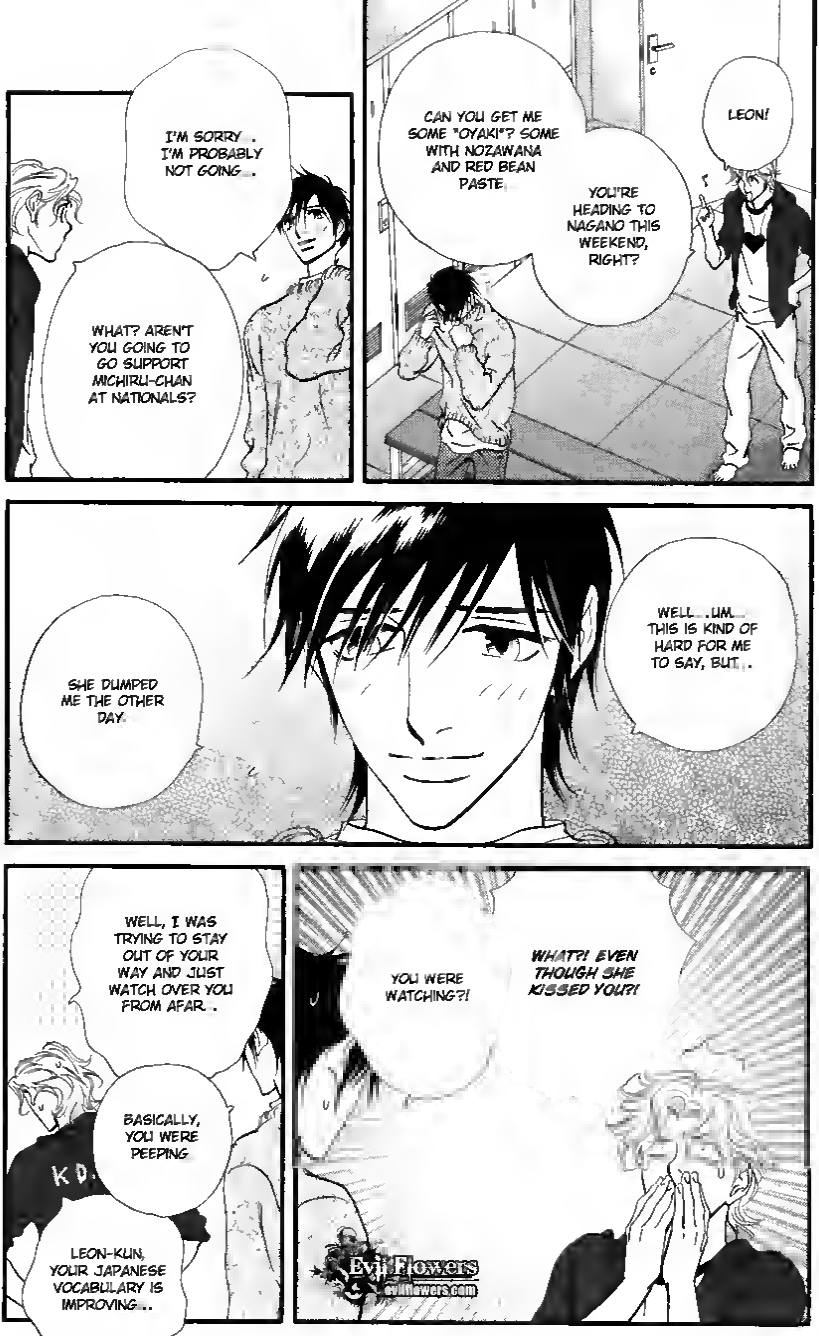

I'M SORRY ABOUT THIS.
I'LL HELP YOU LOOK FOR HER.

HEY
WHERE ARE YOU PLANNING ON GOING? YOU EVEN HAVE YOUR COAT ON
..GONNA GO..
OH,
THERE SHE IS.
WHAT?
HUH?
WE'RE IN NAGANO RIGHT NOW, AND IT'S THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. OF COURSE YOU CAN'T GO SEE HIM RIGHT NOW
NO
I'M GOING...HE'S WAITING FOR ME..
SEE LEON...
I'M GONNA GO...

SLEEP-WALKING
SO BASICALLY SHE'S HALF ASLEEP RIGHT NOW
OK, LET'S JUST GO TO SLEEP FOR NOW
HERE, I'LL TAKE YOU TO YOUR FUTON.
...PAPA?
HUH?
YOU CAME FOR ME...?
UH...
YEAH.
THANK GOD...

I WAS SO SCARED..
I'M SO GLAD.. YOU CAME...
PAPA...
MICHIRU!
SHE KEPT SAYING SHE WAS GOING TO GO SEE LEON.
SHE WAS REALLY OUT OF IT.
OH MY..
STORE
STORE

...I SEE...
AND THEN SHE CALLED ME PAPA.
AND I GUESS SHE FELT REALLY RELIEVED OR SOMETHING, 'CAUSE SHE FELL ASLEEP IMMEDIATELY.
SHE MUST HAVE HER OWN IMAGE OF HER FATHER...
MY FIRST . AND LAST.


I'M SORRY. I'M PROBABLY NOT GOING.
WHAT? AREN'T YOU GOING TO GO SUPPORT MICHIRU-CHAN AT NATIONALS?
CAN YOU GET ME SOME "OYAKI"? SOME WITH NOZAWANA AND RED BEAN PASTE.
YOU'RE HEADING TO NAGANO THIS WEEKEND, RIGHT?
LEON!
SHE DUMPED ME THE OTHER DAY.
WELL...UM... THIS IS KIND OF HARD FOR ME TO SAY, BUT...
WELL, I WAS TRYING TO STAY OUT OF YOUR WAY AND JUST WATCH OVER YOU FROM AFAR.
BASICALLY, YOU WERE PEEPING
K.O.
LEON-KUN, YOUR JAPANESE VOCABULARY IS IMPROVING...
YOU WERE WATCHING?!
WHAT?! EVEN THOUGH SHE KISSED YOU?!
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TAKESHI-SAN... WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THIS LETTER?
HM?
WELL, EITHER WAY...
YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE YOU'VE ACCEPTED THE SITUATION YET.
THIS...
SOUNDS LIKE SHE'S TRYING TO BREAK IT OFF, BUT...
IT ALSO SOUNDS LIKE SHE'S SEEKING HELP.
I CAN'T HELP...
FEELING THAT WAY TOO..

YOU KNOW, MY WIFE IS 6CM TALLER THAN ME
AND YET HER HANDS ARE 2CM SMALLER THAN MINE ISN'T THAT FUNNY?
WHY DO YOU THINK THAT IS?
HUH.. UM...I GUESS BECAUSE SHE'S A WOMAN. .?
RIGHT. AND WHY ARE MEN'S HANDS BIGGER, YOU ASK?
I THINK IT'S SO THAT WE CAN PROTECT WOMEN AND CHILDREN
OUR BODIES ARE BUILT FOR THAT PURPOSE AND WE'RE PROGRAMMED SO WE WANT TO PROTECT THEM.
AND OUR HANDS ARE LIVING PROOF OF THIS CONCEPT
IF YOU GIVE UP ON THAT GIRL RIGHT NOW,
WON'T YOUR INSTINCTS, WHICH DESIRE TO PROTECT HER AND BRING HER HAPPINESS, ALWAYS REGRET IT?
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GOOD MORNING, KUROKI-SAN
YOU MUST BE VERY EXCITED TO BE THE FIRST ONE TO SHOW UP TO PRACTICE
...I AM STAYING VERY CLOSE TO THIS RINK, SO
OH! THERE IS A KUROKI-OWNED RINK, ISN'T THERE?
HOW LUCKY YOU ARE TO BE SO BLESSED-
YES?
IS THERE SOMETHING ON MY FACE?
NO .NOT TODAY.
NOT TODAY .?

THE PRESS AND JUDGES ARE WATCHING, SMILE
THE RUMORS WERE TRUE, NOT BAD...
INTEREST-ING...
Free dance music for Kurosaki-Yomota pair
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YES, I'M SURE
ARE YOU SURE?
PUT IN THAT LIFT
WHAT?

THAT KUROKI MICHIRU IS PRETTY GOOD.
YEAH
HER EDGE IS UNBELIEVABLY DEEP COMING FROM A SINGLES BACK-GROUND.
SHE'S NOT SIMPLY GOING IN AND OUT, BUT USING HER POINTS WELL.

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"JUST THINK OF ME AS LEON AND HANG ON TO ME!"
Leon...
I...
can't see you anymore.
WOBBLE
!

"STAY TOGETHER FOREVER."
"PLEASE LET US..."
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WILL ALWAYS REGRET IT... HUH...
MY INSTINCTS.
My guilt for not protecting you still lingers.
That's right. Back then my hands were still so small.

*MURMUR MURMUR
Ice dancing pair Kuroki and Yomota have due to
WHAT?
Attention, there have been changes to the program
As long as whatever you're scared of continues to haunt you
Michiru even if I can't touch you, I want to be near you
Again,
Ice dancing pair Kuroki
...EXCUSE ME
I COULDN'T HEAR WHAT THAT WAS
WHAT?!
Due to Kuroki's injuries, they have pulled out of the competition
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I HEARD MICHIRU WAS HERE...
DURING YESTERDAY'S PRACTICE SHE FELL DURING A LIFT AND SLID INTO A WALL.
HIKARU-KUN IS WITH HER RIGHT NOW.
OH, LEON! YOU CAME.
YOUR COLLARBONE IS PARTIALLY BROKEN. OF COURSE YOU CAN'T SKATE!
IT DOESN'T HURT.
YEAH, THAT'S BECAUSE THE PAINKILLERS ARE WORKING!
DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!
I HAVE TO GO WATCH MY STUDENTS WHO ARE SKATING IN THE COMPETITION.
SHE'S IN ROOM 5011!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
AH!

PLEASE...
THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON TO ME RIGHT NOW...
IS YOU.
I WON'T PERMIT IT!
LET ME GO! I HAVE TO SKATE IN THE COMPETITION...
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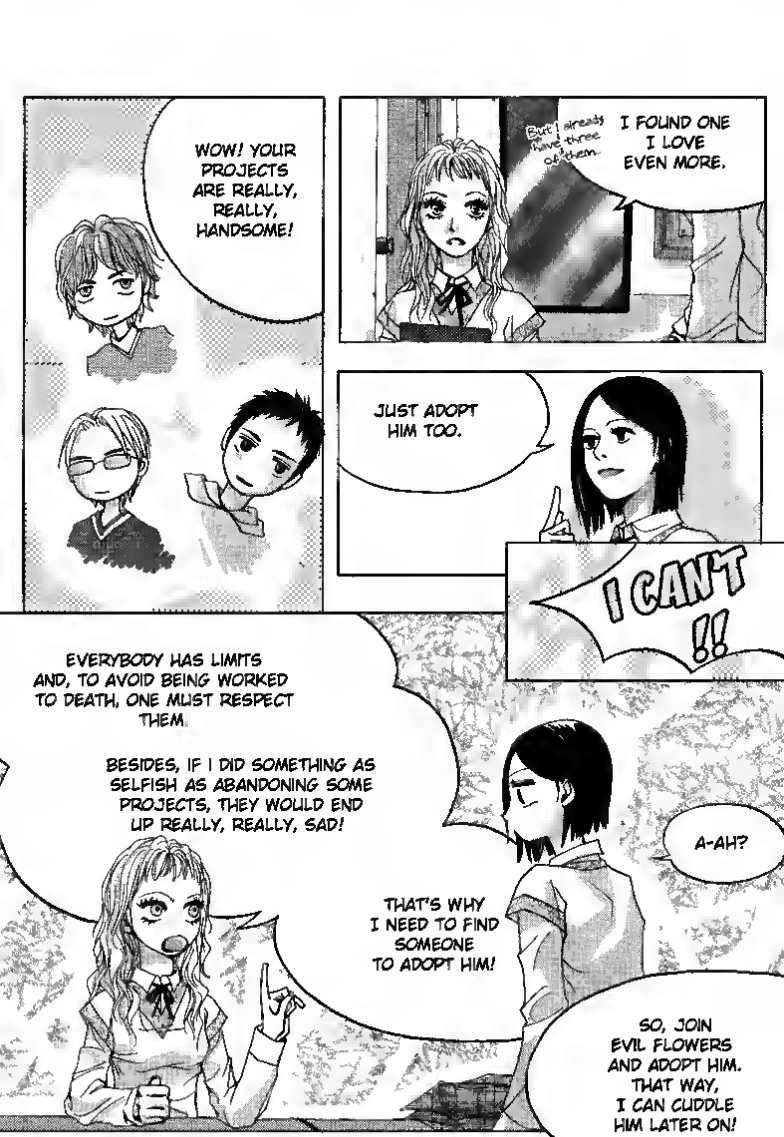

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Step10. Sacrifice

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YOUR COLLARBONE IS PARTIALLY BROKEN OF COURSE YOU CAN'T SKATE!
Michiru pulled out of nationals because of an injury sustained during practice
LET ME GO! I HAVE TO SKATE IN THE COMPETITION!
I WON'T PERMIT IT!
One month has passed since the incident

Their voices were too soft for me to hear what they were saying.
but all I could do was just stand there
I sensed that their relationship which until then was still tentative, was solidifying
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YES!
OK GUYS, LET'S RUN THROUGH THE LATTER HALF OF THE END AGAIN
KEEP YOUR ENERGY UP!
Hikaru is always at Michiru's side
I want to boost her spirits...
in my own way
MICHIRU,
TICKETS FOR LEON'S DANCE PERFORMANCE HAVE ARRIVED!

SEE, TWO TICKETS!
APPARENTLY THEY'RE DOING "THE RITE OF SPRING"... I WONDER IF IT'S THE ORIGINAL.
THEY'VE TAKEN ON A VERY CHALLENGING PIECE.
STARTING TOMORROW, YOU'RE GOING TO BEGIN PRACTICING AGAIN
YOU HAVE TO TRY HARD TO NOT GET LEFT BEHIND, OK?
AND IT'S GOOD ENOUGH THAT YOU'VE BOTH SHOWCASED YOUR ABILITIES
IT'S TOO BAD ABOUT NATIONALS, BUT YOUR INJURY WASN'T FATAL,
NOW IF YOU CAN JUST WIN THE KOUDAN CUP...
TO.
MI
CHI
ZU
MY NAME
WRITTEN BY LEON.
ba-dump
ba-dump

SKATE CENTER
TOO MUCH PUSHING, HIKARU!
MICHIRU, WATCH OUT FOR----
YOU SEEM OUT OF SORTS. ARE YOU OK?
DOES SOMETHING HURT?
NO...
DON'T HIDE IT.
I SAID I'M FINE.
BUT...
HIKARU-KUN.

*TN: NORI = DRIED SEAWEED

DID SHE JUST SAY NORI...?
YOU'RE RIGHT. IT APPEARS THAT HE'S NEVER CAUSED AN INJURY TO HIS PARTNER BEFORE...
HE WAS REALLY SHAKEN UP THAT DAY, TOO...
*BAM
PREP
*SLAP
Tug

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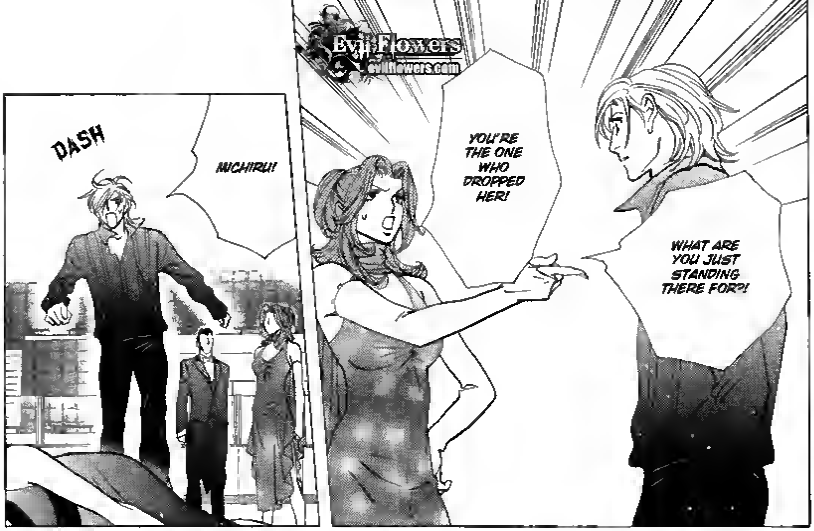

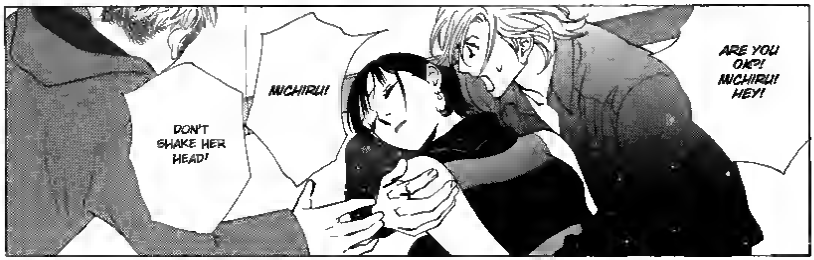

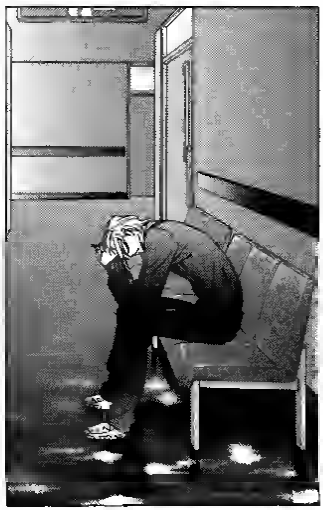

HIKARU'S HOLD WAS ALWAYS A LITTLE FORCEFUL, BUT NOW HE'S GENTLER.
BUT MAYBE THOSE FEELINGS WILL HELP BUILD THEIR RELATIONSHIP
YES, YOU'RE RIGHT
IT'S JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT WAS MEANT TO BE
MEANT TO BE...
YES.
IT REMINDS ME OF YOMOTA-KUN... THE OLDER BROTHER
WHEN HE USED TO TEACH MICHIRU...
YES...
SO YOU'VE ALREADY CHOSEN A COLLEGE, RIGHT?
YOU'RE GOING ON SCHOLARSHIP?

...HIKARU-SAN,
I MENTIONED THIS THE OTHER DAY TOO, BUT...
YOU WANT TO GO TO THE CD SHOP AND PICK OUT SOME MUSIC FOR THE NEXT SEASON?
ALL WE HAVE LEFT IS THE KOUDAN CUP AND IT WOULD BE NICE TO START PREPARING EARLY
I THINK I...
IF THIS IS ABOUT FINDING A NEW PARTNER, FORGET IT
WHAT IS THIS REASON, THAT YOU AREN'T ANY HELP TO ME, ANYWAY?!
YOU'RE NOT AN ICE SKATER FOR MY BENEFIT, ARE YOU?
WE COULDN'T SKATE AT NATIONALS BECAUSE I DROPPED YOU!
THERE'S NO REASON FOR YOU TO FEEL RESPONSIBLE!
ANYWAY!

I HAVE NO DESIRE TO SKATE WITH ANYBODY ELSE.
NEXT YEAR WE'LL WIN NATIONALS! END OF STORY!
...THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANTED TO SAY..
I THOUGHT I'D LET YOU KNOW THAT YOU DON'T LOOK ANYTHING LIKE ODA JO- SO YOU MIGHT WANT TO STOP IMITATING THE WAY HE SPEAKS ..
YOU'RE IN YOUR OWN LITTLE WORLD TOO MUCH, AND I CAN'T FOLLOW!

MY INJURY WAS MY FAULT.
I WOULDN'T HAVE FALLEN IF I HAD BEEN CONCENTRATING...
SO...IF ALL I'M GOING TO DO IS CAUSE TROUBLE FOR YOU...
reach out
SEE.
THIS IS NATURAL, RIGHT?
plop
?
WE'RE ALREADY PARTNERS
DON'T BE SO QUICK TO QUIT.
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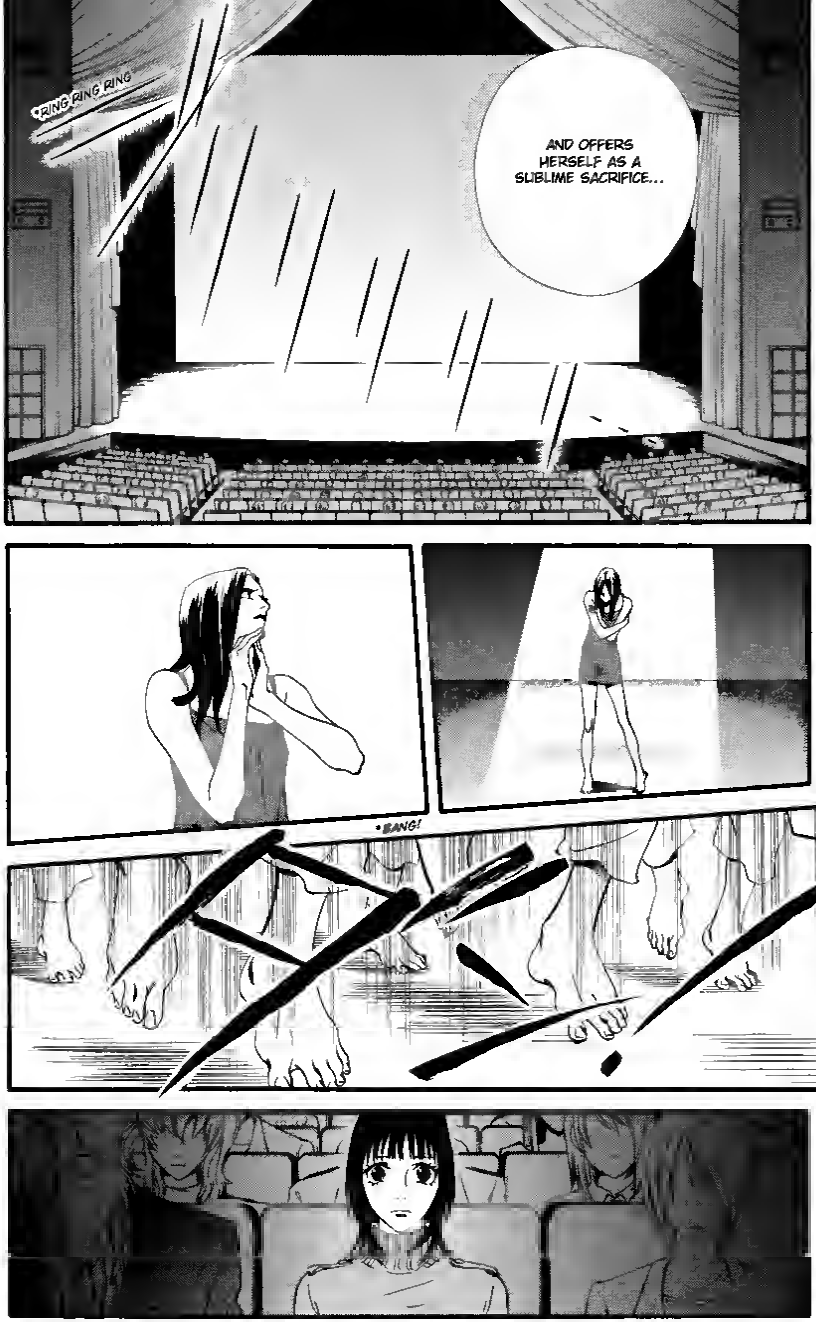
MICHIRU! HIKARU!
新県立劇場
OH? WHERE'S MYUKI?
SHE COULDN'T MAKE IT BECAUSE OF WORK. . I'M BABYSITTING INSTEAD.
WHO ARE YOU CALLING A BABY?
YOU ARE A BABY
Eating ice cream wherever you go.
MARIE! YOU'RE HERE!
OF COURSE!
THAT GENIUS TAKESHI GOUDA IS BOTH CHOREOGRAPHER AND PERFORMER!
YOU'RE RIGHT, SO TINY! IT'S LIKE A BOOGER!
春の祭典
Rites of Spring
KAWAGAWA DANCE LUMER COMPANY
L-C
HIKARU, YOU ARE THE BIGGEST BABY OF ALL
OH! THERE'S A PICTURE OF LEON ON THE PAMPHLET, ALBEIT A SMALL PICTURE. .
LET ME SEE... OOH- HE LOOKS HANDSOME!

THE ICE CREAM'S DRIPPING
serious
look look
I WONDER IF MICHIRU IS HERE TODAY.
WHAT A CUTE TOWEL WAS IT A PRESENT?
LEON YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE LEFT FOR MAKE-UP
OH, I'M SORRY MITSUO-SAN
by dancing my best
YES.
I hope I can lift her spirits...
Ooh~ how nice to be young~

SACRIFICE..?
HM? YOU DON'T KNOW THE STORY FOR "THE RITE OF SPRING"?
That's the best I can do right now.
*CHATTER
A GUEST DANCER IS DANCING THE PART OF THE SACRIFICIAL MAIDEN
IF I RECALL CORRECTLY, IT'S BASED ON A RUSSIAN MYTH OR SOMETHING, AND IT'S A SACRIFICIAL DANCE FOR BRINGING IN THE SPRING
THE WINTERS ARE LONG IN RUSSIA SO ..OH LOOK, THERE'S AN EXCERPT FROM THE ORIGINAL SCRIPT.
I GUESS TO RECEIVE THE BLESSINGS OF SPRING YOU NEED TO OFFER A SACRIFICE.
SECOND ACT... THE SUBLIME... SCENE OF SACRIFICE...
THE SACRIFICIAL MAIDEN..
IS CHOSEN TWICE BY FATE...
TWICE CAPTURED... IN A DANCE DURING WHICH SHE MAY COLLAPSE AT ANY MOMENT..
...THE MAIDEN DANCES A HOLY DANCE...


•RING RING RING
AND OFFERS HERSELF AS A SUBLIME SACRIFICE...
•BANG!

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"Where are we going?"
"To a nice place"
"Your coach is waiting for you"
"Come with me"
"You are Michiru Kuroki?"
"Welcome to Club Bambina"
IT HURTS.
NO!
MAMA..
NO MORE
I WANT TO GO HOME

"Agh!"
"Who are you?!"
*CRASH
"Don't worry, Michiru."
"I'm here."
"You're the same Michiru you've always been."
"Nothing happened to you."
"Sensei, what happened to me?"
*RING RING
"Mister Yamota."
"Please open up. This is the police."
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"Listen to this, Ok."
"Stay in here and don't make a sound."
"It can't be anybody else."
"Tonight, I want to be loved by you."
"I just want to be loved by you...."

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SENSEI!!
*DAN!

Spring
descend
upon us.
*CLAP CLAP CLAP
*WA—
*CLAP CLAP CLAP
BRAVO!
BRAVO!

SENSEI,
WAS IT MY FAULT THAT YOU DIED?
I WISH I HAD BEEN KILLED WITH YOU THEN.
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I MUST'VE TAKEN YOUR HEART WITH ME.
I BETTER RETURN IT..

TAKE SPRING WITH YOU AND MAKE THE FLOWERS BLOSSOM.
THE KIND OF FLOWERS THAT WILL BRING HAPPINESS TO THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU

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BY THAT LADY . SHE'S RUSSIAN, RIGHT?
APPARENTLY SHE'S CANADIAN.
THE RUSSIAN-SEEMING CANADIAN LADY HERSELF CAME TO REQUEST MY SERVICES.
SUPPOSEDLY MICHIRU-CHAN IS VERY ADAMANT.
WHAT, SO YOU WERE ASKED TO CHOREOGRAPH?!
YUP.
IT'S NOT FEASIBLE ANYWAY. I HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF ICE SKATING.
TRUE, ESPECIALLY WITH THE CURRENT SCORING SYSTEM. .
I DECLINED
I DON'T HAVE THE TIME . .
AND WHAT DID YOU SAY?
smile
SO. .
I WANT HER TO BE MORE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT SKATING.
BUT . . IF THIS IS MICHIRU'S WISH, I'D LIKE FOR IT TO BE REALIZED . .

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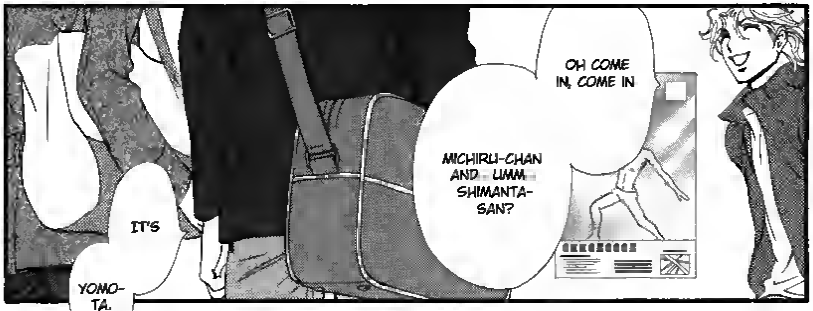

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The program of our destiny
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Evil Flowers wishes you a
Merry Christmas!

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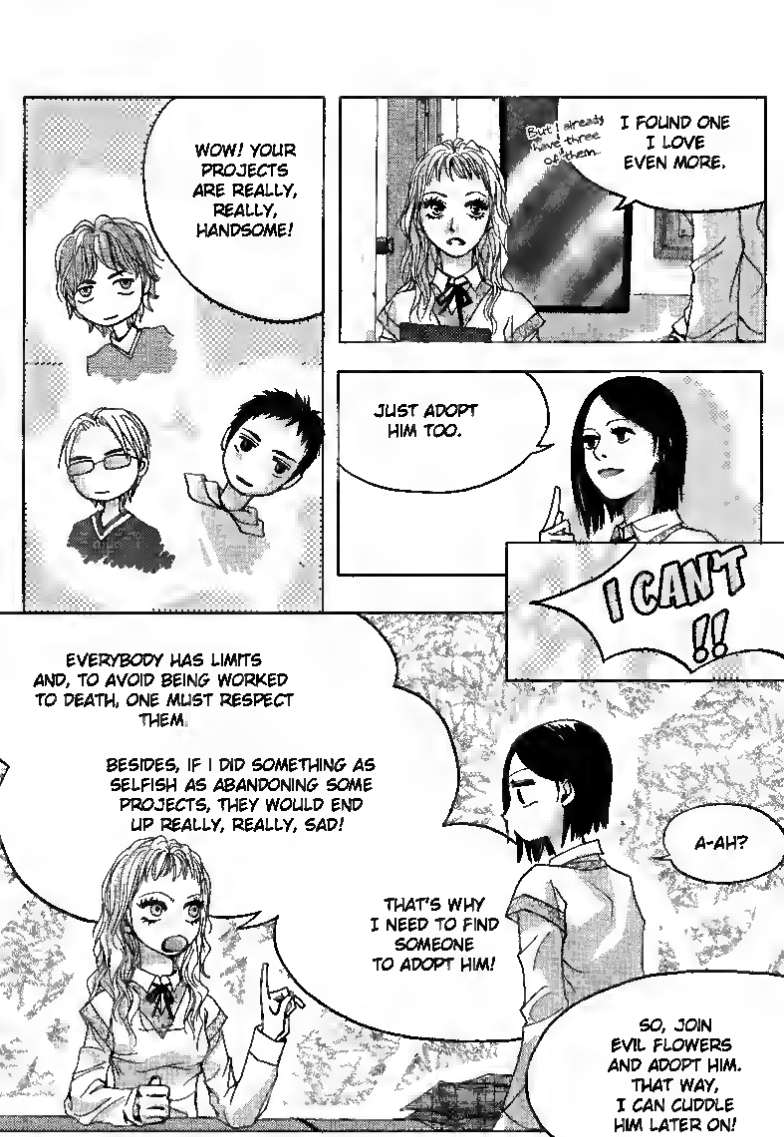

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*DIAGONALS STRAIGHT LINE STEPS IN DIAGONAL LINES

SINCE LIVING ALONE IS DANGEROUS, THEY TOLD ME TO GO LIVE IN JAPAN.
SINCE DAD STARTED CONSULTING, HE'S BEEN FLYING AROUND ALL OVER THE WORLD.
MOM'S GONE WITH HIM
WHY ARE YOU HERE .. AND WHAT ARE YOU WEARING?! AREN'T YOU COLD? IT'S STILL MARCH, YOU KNOW.
WHAT THE HECK, WE HAVEN'T SEEN EACH OTHER IN FOREVER AND THAT'S THE FIRST THING YOU SAY?
A DOWNER AS ALWAYS!
BUT AREN'T YOU STAYING WITH AUNT?
YEAH, I HEARD THAT PART FROM DAD
LEON, YOU'VE ALWAYS LOVED SLEEPING BAGS, RIGHT?
WHY ARE YOU HERE WITH ALL YOUR LUGGAGE ..?
NO, I DON'T.
Boo
I can see your underwear!
WELL THIS ISN'T TOKYO EITHER--WE'RE IN YOKOHAMA
AUNT GIVES ME A CURFEW
IF YOU'RE ENROLLING IN A SCHOOL IN THE CITY, AUNT'S HOUSE IS CLOSER.
PLUS HER HOUSE ISN'T IN TOKYO, IT'S IN SAITAMA. .
HEHE, ACTUALLY I'VE BEEN SCOUTED TO BE A MODEL
THEY TOLD ME IT'D BE BETTER FOR MY IMAGE IF I LIVED IN YOKOHAMA, AND NOT SAITAMA
A MODEL?!

TRUE, I WAS HALF NAKED... BUT THAT'S BESIDES THE POINT...
YOUR JOB INVOLVES YOU GETTING LEERED AT BY COMPLETE STRANGERS, TOO
I SAW YOUR PERFORMANCE ON YOUTUBE THE OTHER DAY- YOU WERE PRANCING AROUND ON STAGE HALF-NAKED.
THEY ALSO SAID I COULD BE AN INTERNATIONAL-ISH MODEL 'CAUSE I CAN SPEAK ENGLISH AND FRENCH, TOO
YOU'RE SO EASILY MANIPULATED... A MODEL'S JOB INVOLVES GETTING LEERED AT BY COMPLETE STRANGERS!
OH, CRAP I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO TELL YOU.
YOU MET UP WITH HIM?
BY YULIYA, YOU MEAN OUR YULIYA?
THIS IS NO FUN! YOU AND YULIYA BOTH SAY THE SAME THING.
WHAT...
WELL-
WHY... LENA AND I BOTH HAVEN'T HEARD A WORD FROM HIM...
...YEAH, I MET UP WITH HIM WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN EMAILING FRIENDS

OK, SO YUUY*'S DAD'S COMPANY WENT OUT OF BUSINESS.
AND THEY HAD NO MONEY, SO HE HAD TO QUIT FIGURE SKATING.
I THINK HE FELT BAD ABOUT THAT...
"DON'T QUIT FIGURE SKATING!"
...I SEE..
THIS IS A PHOTO FROM NATIONALS, WHICH WAS ALSO HIS LAST COMPETITION
UNLIKE MICHIRU, HIS RESULTS WEREN'T VERY PROMISING
HE JOKED THAT HE WAS A GOOD-FOR-NOTHING
SKATE CENTER
"The Rite of Spring"
BASE

Michiru and Hikaru san chose this challenging piece for their next season s program
I WAS THINKING THIS COULD PRETTY MUCH BE THE FINAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE PIECE
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
and I will be the choreographer
IT'S VERY NICE!
I CAN'T REALLY SAY... WITHOUT SKATING TO IT FIRST
I THINK IT'S GOOD

To be honest it's pretty exhausting but
We've decided that I come to the rink 3 days a week after my dance practices
I bought skates
but here I can see her face
A while ago I was told that I couldn't see Muchuu anymore
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Swish
I'LL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO FALL.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE BEEN ON ICE...
Step Step

shaaa
ZAAAA
HEY, ISN'T THAT MICHIRU'S BOYFRIEND?
Whoa!
WASN'T THAT AN AXEL?
It was only a single, but his landing was beautiful!

HMPH. SO HE'S MAYBE ONE STEP UP FROM A COMPLETE NOVICE.
HE SAID THAT EVEN AFTER I MOVED BACK TO JAPAN,
HE PAIRED UP WITH OTHER PEOPLE AND PRACTICED SINGLES SKATING UP UNTIL HE WAS 15...
HIKARU, THE SIDE OF YOUR MOUTH IS TWITCHING.
twitch
WHAT THE HELL... HE CAN SKATE?
.....
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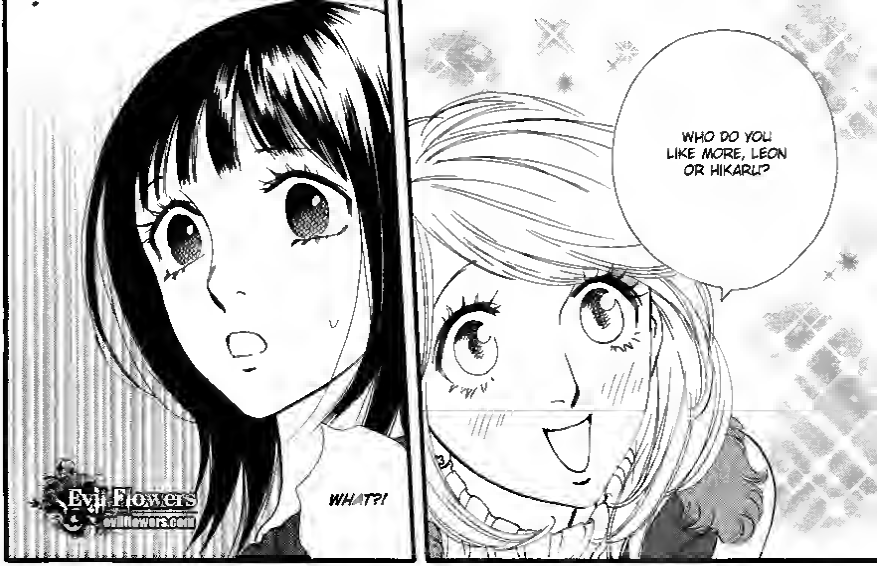
ONI--CHA--N!
HE--Y.
IS IT OK IF I WATCH YOUR PRACTICE?
HOW DID YOU WORM YOUR WAY IN HERE?!
THEY LET ME IN AFTER I TOLD THEM, "I'M THE LITTLE SISTER OF THE CHOREOGRAPHER".
SECURITY IS TOTALLY LAX—
WHAT, MANON?!

OH
WHAT IS THIS "ONIICHAN" ANYWAY YOU NEVER CALL ME THAT
Yayy
DON'T YOU LIKE IT? THEY SAY THAT IT'S WAY AKIBA-ISH AND COOL AND EDGY.
THEY CALL IT "LITTLE SISTER MOE"
WHO BRAIN-WASHED YOU THIS TIME?!
Kyaa--!!
IT'S MICHIRU! LONG TIME NO SEE!!
MANON ...?
YOU'RE TALLER THAN ME...
I guess you are half sister at!
*COVERS
OH YEAH, THAT REMINDS ME, LEON THIS MORNING, I TOOK MICHIRU'S PICTURE OUT OF YOUR PILLOW CASE SO I COULD DO LAUNDRY.
FUM GA OGA
JUST WATCH QUIETLY THIS ISN'T PLAYTIME.
HE LOOKS SO WHOLESOME, BUT HE'S REALLY A HENTAI ...

HMM
HEY, MICHIRU
HM?
LATER-
GOOD WORK TODAY


WHO DO YOU LIKE MORE, LEON OR HIKARU?
WHAT?!
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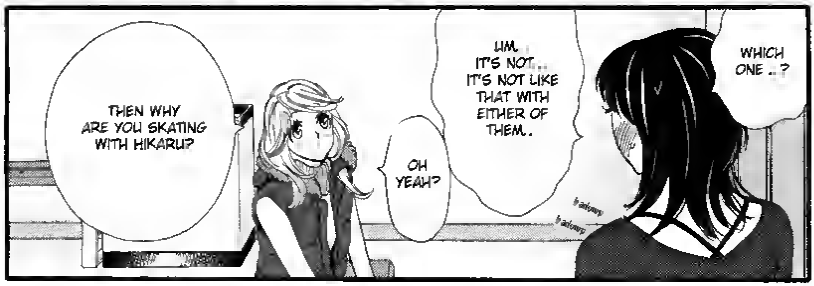
WHICH ONE..?
UM. IT'S NOT... IT'S NOT LIKE THAT WITH EITHER OF THEM..
OH YEAH?
THEN WHY ARE YOU SKATING WITH HIKARU?
b'alvary
b'alvary

OH, AM I BEING TOO NOSY?
...NO

AS LONG AS YOU'RE CAREFUL WITH YOUR JUMPS, YOU CAN CONTINUE SINGLES, CAN'T YOU?
.....

A CONTROLLER?
Chuckle
SO HIKARU-SAN'S CONTROLLING ME, HUH?
OKAY
OK, IT'S LIKE THIS... WHEN HIKARU-SAN'S COMMUNICATING THE TIMING OF SOMETHING TO ME,
IT'S LIKE A CONTROLLER*,
HE GENTLY TAPS ME WITH HIS THUMB LIKE THIS
*NOTE VIDEO GAME
NOW... I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE.
STANDING ALONE IN A RINK WITHOUT THAT THUMB...
OH...
HOW'S THAT DIFFERENT FROM "LIKING" HIM?
I'M STILL A CHILD SO I DON'T GET IT
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LIKE I SAID, IN ACTUALITY, YOU HAVE UNTIL THE 6TH COUNT.
SPIN IN THE REMAINING 4 SECONDS? IT'S TOO AGGRESSIVE, WHAT IF I DROP HER AGAIN?
IT'D BE WASTED EFFORT ANYWAY IF IT'S NOT AUTHORIZED AS A COMPULSORY MOVE.
HEY, HOLD ON!
NOBODY CAN CHANGE POSITIONS FROM SUCH A DIFFICULT LIFT IN 5 SECONDS!
Taken aback
IT CAN BE DONE!
CAN YOU PLEASE GIVE THE COUNT?
LEON!!

1 clap
LISTEN UNTIL THE 5TH COUNT AND THEN SHIFT YOUR WEIGHT
I WON'T DROP YOU
2 clap
3 clap
4 clap
5 clap

10 clap
9 clap
8 clap
7 clap
Clap
Clap
Clap
Whistle
BUT WITH YOUR SPREAD EAGLE, YOU CAN EASILY CUT IN FRONT OF THE JUDGES
YOU CAN ALSO ADD MORE SPIN
WITH MY SKATING ABILITIES, THIS IS THE BEST I CAN DO..
.....
IF YOU CAN PULL IT OFF IT WOULD BE VERY IMPRESSIVE

...FINE
BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT CHANGING THE ARRANGEMENT.
IT'S TOO PHYSICALLY DRAINING TO PUT IT IN THE END OF THE PROGRAM.
YOU'VE NEVER SKATED THE FULL 4 MINUTES IN SENIOR COMPETITION BEFORE.
ANYBODY WHO HAS WOULDN'T PUT SUCH A BIG MOVE AT THIS POINT IN THE PROGRAM.
YOU'RE JUST A NOVICE WHO DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ANYWAY...
STOP IT.
THAT'S NOT FAIR
YOU'RE BULLYING LEON.
...OH, IS THAT RIGHT?
THEN WHY DON'T THE TWO OF YOU SKATE TO YOUR HEART'S CONTENT?

HIKARU-SAN!
I'M SORRY..
LEON
Even if Mukuro stands up for me, she chases after Hikaru san
because he is her partner

but my heart still hurts
I understand.
MICHIRU
IT'S BEEN A WHILE.
SINCE I'VE SEEN YOU FACE TO FACE
Crack

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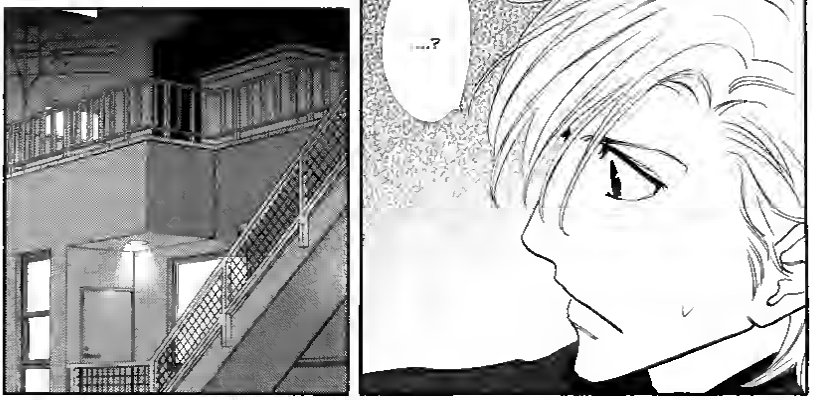
WHY ARE YOU AVOIDING ME?
DID YOU REMEMBER SOMETHING? IS THAT RIGHT?
HOLD ON!
SO YOU'RE GOING TO LOOK AT ME WITH THOSE EYES AGAIN.
WHY ARE YOU SUCH A BAD CHILD?
DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS TO BAD CHILDREN?
PLEASE STOP, FATHER.
STOP

BAM
NO!
haa
haa
!
...WHAT'S WRONG?
OH, YOU'RE...
MICHIRU'S PARTNER, AREN'T YOU... I WATCHED YOUR PRACTICE
Slip

OH, YOU MUST BE KUROKI-SAN... PLEASED TO MEET YOU
HAVE YOU RETURNED TO THE COUNTRY?
NO, I'M JUST HERE FOR BUSINESS... IT'S JUST A LAYOVER... ALWAYS HAPPENS.
MY WIFE IS AWAY ON BUSINESS, SO I THOUGHT I'D JUST GRAB DINNER WITH MY DAUGHTER
MICHIRU IS QUITE STUBBORN AND CAN BE DIFFICULT, CAN'T SHE?
OH NO, SHE'S A VERY MATURE LADY, HAHAHA...
WELL MICHIRU, I'VE HIRED A DRIVER, SO GET READY AND MEET ME AT THE ENTRANCE
ALL RIGHT
WHAT?
BUT YOUR DAD IS WAITING AT THE ENTRANCE...
PLEASE COME WITH ME
TAKE ME TO YOUR PLACE
....HIKARU-SAN
PLEASE LEAVE WITH ME FROM THE BACK EXIT.



*TN: Expensive alcohol drink.

*BURNING UP
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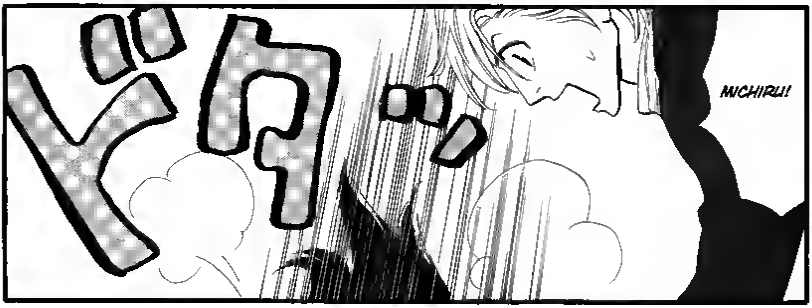
HEY, YOU IDIOT! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?
DRINKING BOURBON...
Puha
YANK


*FLOP
MICHIRU!

You've brought this upon yourself
You're such a bad child
HER PRECIOUS LEG!
SHE FELL FROM A HAMMOCK ONTO A ROCK?

THIS IS BAD. SHE'S KUROKI'S DAUGHTER!
WHAT?!
THAT TINY SCAR ON HER LEFT LEG.
I SAW THAT SAME SCAR ON A PICTURE HE GAVE ME. THERE'S NO MISTAKE...
DON'T TELL ANYBODY ABOUT THIS.
WHY?
BECAUSE IT'S WRONG.
UNDER YOUR WATCH...
PLEASE STOP, MAMA.
IT WAS MY FAULT.
I WAS STARTLED BY THE WIND AND FELL
YOU HAVE TO DO AS YOUR FATHER SAYS
YOU CAN CONTINUE SKATING
ALL THANKS TO HIM
MICHIRU.
MICHIRU!

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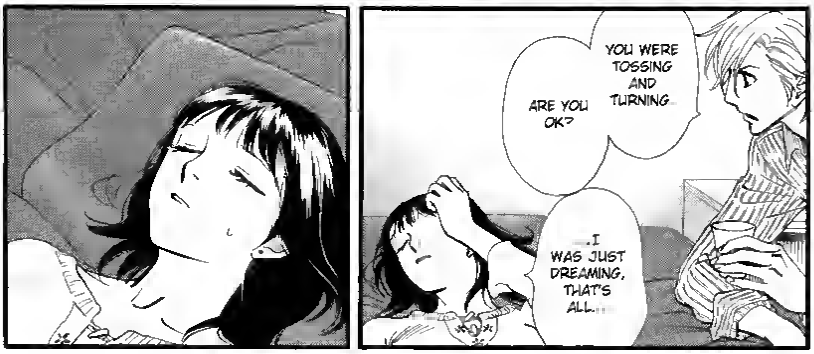
OH.. I FELL ASLEEP...?
MORE LIKE YOU FAINTED.
ONLY FOR ABOUT FIVE MINUTES.


YOU WERE TOSSING AND TURNING.
ARE YOU OK?
...I WAS JUST DREAMING, THAT'S ALL...

HEY, DON'T FALL ASLEEP
AREN'T YOU GOING HOME?

...IF YOU'RE AWAKE, FIGHT ME OFF.
OTHERWISE I'M GOING RAVISH YOU.
...IT'S OK.
I DON'T MIND AS LONG AS IT'S YOU...

...DO HORRIBLE THINGS TO ME...
MESS ME UP
MORE...
The spring storms...
were just around the corner.

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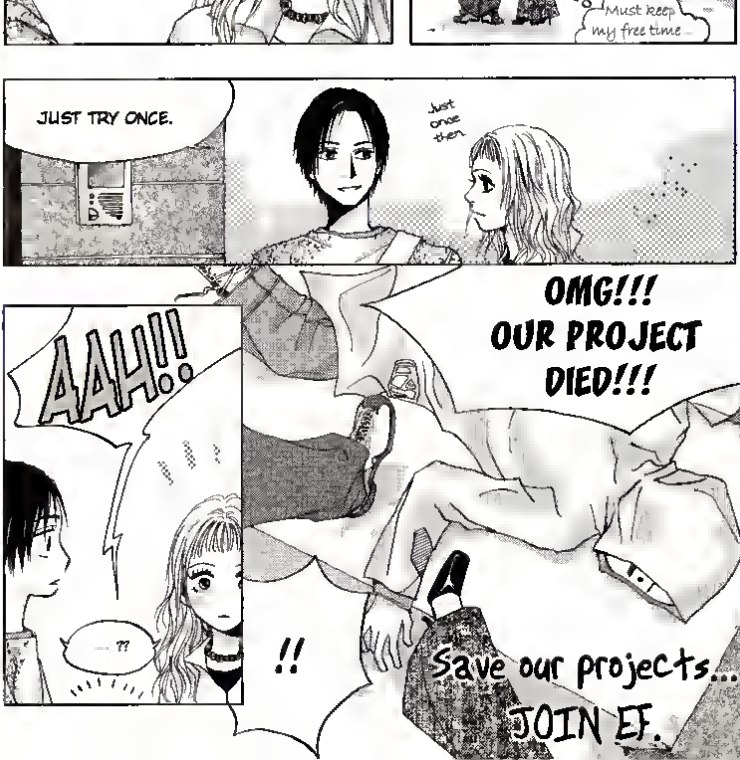
IF YOU JOIN, WE WILL MAKE SURE YOU ENJOY YOUR PROJECTS.
PFF.

Must have editors...
THERE ARE PERKS: READING CHAPTERS FIRST. FEELING HELPFUL...
WELL...
Must keep my free time...


JUST TRY ONCE.
Just once then...
AAH!!
...??
!!
OMG!!! OUR PROJECT DIED!!!
Save our projects...
JOIN EF.

【第2章】 Step2. Crime and Punishment

"BE GENTLE WITH ME" IN THIS SITUATION.
...STUPID
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SAY,
Do horrible things to me.
Mess me up more.
IT'S NOTHING..
NOTHING...
WHY ARE YOU LAUGHING?

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Glance

1 Partner
2 Assistant Coach's daughter
3 Sponser's daughter
4 Choreographer's girlfriend
WHAT AM I GOING TO DO, SERIOUSLY...
THERE ARE WAY TOO MANY PROBLEMS WITH THIS SITUATION
He doesn't know yet that they've broken up
OH SHIT...
I'M AN IDIOT...
CRY
I THOUGHT SHE WAS JUST A KID...
WHAT'S WITH HER ANYWAY. ALL OF A SUDDEN.
YOU'RE AWAKE.
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU LOOK DAZED

THIS PHOTO?
THIS WAS AT NATIONALS.
THE YEAR BIG BROTHER WON IN THE ICE SKATING DIVISION, I WON JUNIOR SINGLES
HIKARU-SAN...
YOU'RE A LOT LIKE SENSE!...
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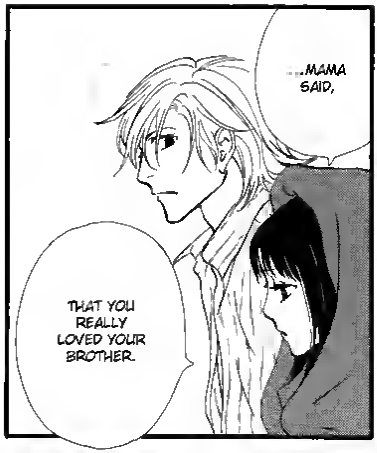
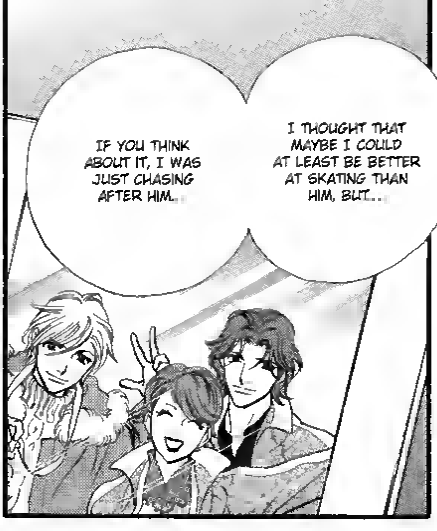
IF ONLY IN LOOKS...
SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU! THAT'S ALL I'VE HEARD SINCE I WAS A KID!
THAT OUR PERSONALITIES ARE COMPLETE OPPOSITES
AND THINGS LIKE "GOOD THING YOU AT LEAST LOOK LIKE HIM!"





*NOTE. CUPIE IS POPULAR JAPANESE CUPID DOLL

WHY ARE YOU GETTING TURNED ON BY A BAGWORM?
HEY, HEY.
SHE'S ACTING LIKE
LAST NIGHT DIDN'T HAPPEN...
PHEW.
Click
CREAK

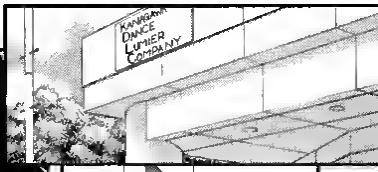
...I WAS WITH A FRIEND...
DON'T LIE TO ME.
...WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
*SLAP
I KNOW YOU WERE WITH A GUY.
AND YOU'RE JUST A CHILD!
YOU ENTICED HIM WITH THOSE EYES AGAIN, DIDN'T YOU?
DO YOU NEED TO BE PUNISHED TO MAKE YOU UNDERSTAND?
HMM?!
...NO...

*DING DONG
*DING DONG
Michiru? It's Mama
The chain's on and I can't get in
IS MICHIRU STILL HOME TOO?
SHE'S USUALLY AT THE RINK BY NOW, I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED.
...OH, DARLING!!
I ASSUMED WE WOULDN'T GET TO SEE EACH OTHER TODAY.

MICHIRU

Rub

DID YOU BRING SOMETHING BACK FOR ME?
Smile
WELCOME BACK, MAMA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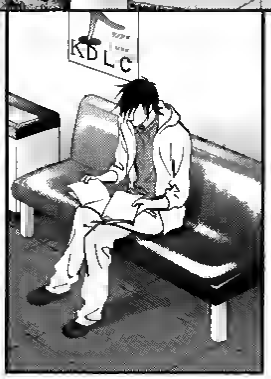
ESPECIALLY THIS STEP. BESIDES THE REQUIRED TWIRL, THERE ARE ONLY TWO TYPES OF TURNS...
...THERE ARE TOO MANY MOVEMENTS THAT DON'T RESULT IN ADDED POINTS.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LEON
WE'RE SURPRISINGLY LIMITED IN WHAT WE CAN DO
HUH, OH MARIE-SAN?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I'VE GOT A LITTLE SOMETHING
I CAME TO GET TAKESHI'S AUTOGRAPH
I WAS SO NERVOUS LAST TIME, I FORGOT TO ASK
GOUDA
DO WE LOOK LIKE WE'RE IN LOVE?
He's completely overpowered by her
TAKESHI-SAN ALL THAT'S SHOWING IS YOUR LEFT EYE
LEON, YOU'RE SO INTENSE! EVEN HERE, YOU'RE THINKING ABOUT CHOREOGRAPHY?
ICE DANCING
YES, WELL. . THE RULES ARE SO COMPLICATED, I GET EASILY CONFUSED.
I CAN'T SEEM TO LET THESE INSTRUCTIONS GO

*RIP
WAHH?!
LET ME SEE THAT FOR A MINUTE
OH, SURE
TRASHCAN
DON'T WORRY, I HAVE A COPY TOO.
VERY IMPRESSIVE I MEAN, WHAT WAS THAT FOR?!
ANY OLD CHOREOGRAPHER COULD'VE PRODUCED WHAT YOU'VE CHOREOGRAPHED SO FAR
FORGET THE RULES FOR NOW!
WHEN NECESSARY, I WILL HELP YOU.
THE REAL REASON I CAME HERE TODAY WAS TO TALK TO YOU.
MICHIRU AND I ASKED YOU TO CHOREOGRAPH BECAUSE YOU ACTUALLY DANCED "THE RITE OF SPRING."

WANTS TO SKATE "THE RITE OF SPRING" THAT YOU DANCED.
BUT MICHIRU...
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DOES SHE KNOW WHAT WE DID LAST NIGHT?
WHAT IS WITH HER
SHE'S EVEN MORE DISTANT THAN USUAL.
OOOH, YOMOCCHI, PLAYING HOOKIE?
I'M JUST TAKING A BREAK.
I'M VERY FEEBLE, YOU KNOW.
DONDOWA COACH IS GONNA HIT YOU AGAIN IF SHE HEARS YOU.
GOOD WORK TODAY
Open
男子更衣室
?
UM...
THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU ABOUT...

LIM...
ABOUT LAST NIGHT...
...SO?
WHAT IS IT?
...!
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PLEASE?
CAN IT REMAIN A SECRET BETWEEN US?
PLEASE DON'T TELL ANYBODY ABOUT IT.

Pretend it never happened.
So Basically...
.....
...FINE.
WHAT?
Brightens
THIS LOOK, LIKE "I'M RELIEVED FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART"
WHAT THE HELL.
THANK YOU,,

...YOU KNOW.
I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU.
SO YES, I WON'T TELL ANYBODY, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO PRETEND IT NEVER HAPPENED
EVEN IF IT WERE THE ONLY TIME, I...
...IT'S THE ONLY TIME...?
HUH?

AH
NO
WHAT MICHIRU IS REALLY LIKE...
haa
haa
THAT THIS IS...
"A SECRET BETWEEN US", TOO...?
IS THIS...
I'm totally drowning.
CAN'T...
TELL ANYBODY!!.
YOU DEFIN-ITELY...
Shit.
What
I THINK I COULD DIE FOR LOVE RIGHT NOW!!

LIKE YOUR VOICE YOUR SMELL
AND HOW YOU'RE NICE..
MY SMELL.. THAT'S A LITTLE WEIRD..
...YOU KNOW
I THINK YOU'RE SIMILAR TO YOUR BROTHER IN WAYS BESIDES LOOKS
HUH?
...I'VE NEVER BEEN CALLED NICE BEFORE
NO, YOU WERE NICE...
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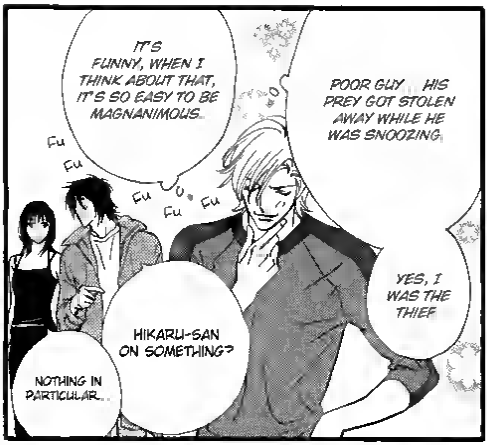
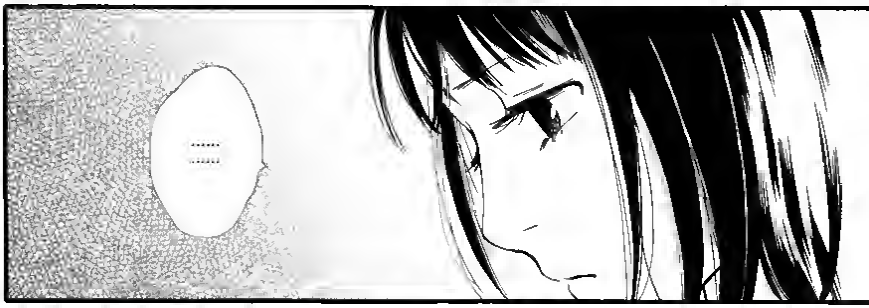
IT'S THE FIRST TIME GETTING TOUCHED BY A GUY...
HAS ACTUALLY FELT GOOD..

Blush
H-
HMM...
WAIT?
SO I'M NOT HER FIRST ?
*SHAAA
THEIR SKATING LEGS ARE SO CLOSE!
DON'T THEY SEEM MORE IN SYNC THAN USUAL?
BODY CONTACT HAS BECOME MORE NATURAL
.....

*NOTE SHE MEANS A THIEF STARTS OFF AS A LIAR


IT'S FUNNY, WHEN I THINK ABOUT THAT, IT'S SO EASY TO BE MAGNANIMOUS.
POOR GUY... HIS PREY GOT STOLEN AWAY WHILE HE WAS SNOOZING.
Fu
Fu
Fu
Fu
Fu
YES, I WAS THE THIEF
HIKARU-SAN ON SOMETHING?
NOTHING IN PARTICULAR...

OH, LEON-KUN! GOOD WORK, LET'S KEEP IT UP!
UH... SURE...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THAT'S RIGHT, IN THE SCENE WHERE THE MAIDENS RESIST THE RITUAL
THINK OF YOURSELVES AS NEO AND MORPHEUS IN THE MATRIX...
MAKE IT NEO AND TRINITY.
...WHATEVER YOU WANT

I WILL BE INCORPORATING KUNG FU MOVEMENTS INTO THE STEPS
KUNG FU?
YOU HAD THEM IN YOUR KDLC PERFORMANCE TOO

OOH, HOW PICTURESQUE...
KYU
KYU
NICE. DO MORE!
FOR YOUR UPPER BODY MOVEMENTS, MICHIRU SHOULD ALWAYS BE AHEAD LIKE THIS..
AND WHEN SHE COMES LIKE THIS, RESPOND LIKE THIS!!
STEP OUT AND...
FIT IN A TWIZZLE AND MIRROR IT WITH A BRACKET*
*A TYPE OF TURN
PLEASE TRY TO MOVE AWAY WITH MORE GRACE.
THAT'S JUST IN YOUR HEAD.
I FELT SOME REAL ANIMOSITY THERE!
HERE MICHIRU, YOU TRY
*WHISH
WAH!

Yes
Yes
IT'S SUPPOSED TO APPEAR MORE AGGRESSIVE..
YOU HAVE THE MOVEMENTS DOWN AND IT'S BEAUTIFUL, BUT YOU DON'T REALLY SEEM LIKE YOU'RE FIGHTING.
WHISH
SINCE RIGHT NOW WE ARE IN LOVE
THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE
TRY TO MOVE AS IF YOU'RE RESISTING A PERSON YOU HATE WITH ALL YOUR HEART

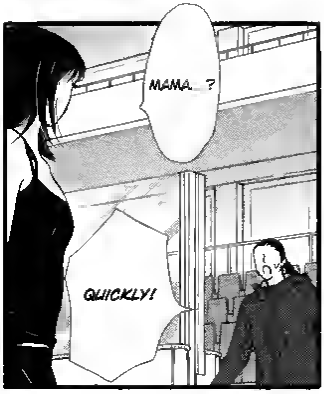
*WHISH
WAH!
BAM
AHH!
Fall
conk

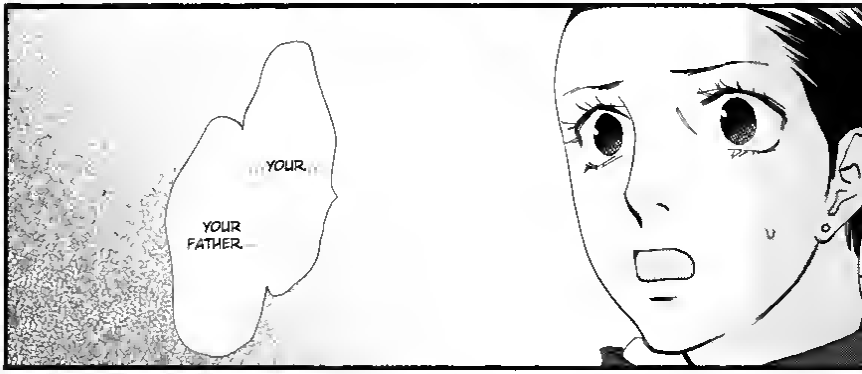
IT MIGHT BE GOOD FOR YOU TWO TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
AT KDLC, WE RECEIVED ABOUT TWO MONTHS OF MARTIAL ARTS TRAINING...
TH, IT'S A GOOD IDEA!
UH, I JUST CAN'T IMAGINE IT...?

ARE YOU GUYS TRYING TO KILL ME?!
HIKARU-SAN, YOU SEEM TOO PATHETIC
YES, THAT'S THE RIGHT ATTITUDE

WELL, NEXT LET'S...
MICHIRU! COME QUICK!

YOU HAVE TO PACK QUICKLY.
WE'RE HEADING TO AMERICA ON THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE PLANE.
WHAT? WHY...
WHAT HAPPENED?


MAMA...?
QUICKLY!


...YOUR...
YOUR FATHER...

HE WAS ATTACKED BY SOMEBODY... HE WAS SHOT AND IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION...

whisper
HE SHOULD'VE
WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?!
WHO WAS IT?
HE WAS APPARENTLY SHOT BY A SECURITY GUARD...
I DON'T KNOW THE SPECIFICS YET...
WHAT?
ANYWAY, WE HAVE TO GO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. .
I'M NOT GOING
...I HAVE TO SKATE.

UNTIL HIKARU-SAN, LEON, COACH, AND I COMPLETE "THE RITE OF SPRING".
I'M NOT GOING ANYWAY....

WHAT IS THIS?
WE'VE FIGURED OUT THE BACKGROUND FOR THE MAN WHO SHOT MR KUROKI
THIS IS A PICTURE THAT HE HAD ON HIM.

SERGEI GEORGEFF, 36 YEARS OLD
WE'VE TAKEN HIM INTO CUSTODY.

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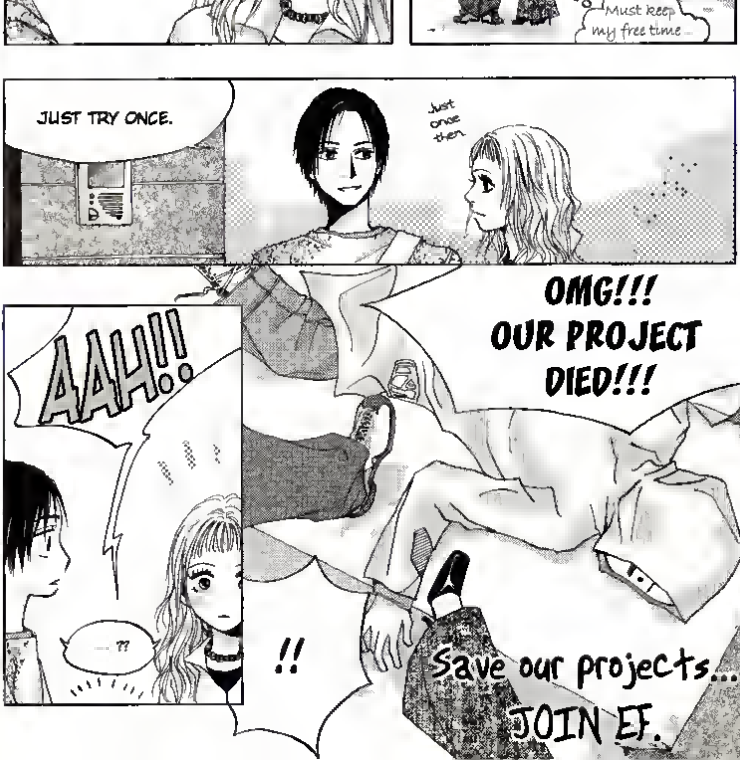
IF YOU JOIN, WE WILL MAKE SURE YOU ENJOY YOUR PROJECTS.
PFF.

Must have editors...
THERE ARE PERKS: READING CHAPTERS FIRST. FEELING HELPFUL...
WELL...
Must keep my free time...


JUST TRY ONCE.
Just once then...
AAH!!
...??
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OMG!!! OUR PROJECT DIED!!!
Save our projects...
JOIN EF.